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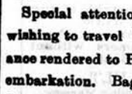

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By Order of the Committee,

J. W. CLARKSON,
Ag. Hon. Secy., R. W. I. G. C.

BOMBAY CLUB.

THE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Club, will be held in the Club House, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th August, 1894, at 5-30 P.M.

R. REEVE,
Hony. Secretary.

28th July, 1894.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

AN Examination for Unpaid Probationers will be held at the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 13th August, 1894, at 10-30 A.M. Further particulars can be obtained at the Office of the Sub-Assistant Superintendent, Bombay Island Sub-Division.

ALF. PITCHER,
Sub-Assistant Superintendent.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an ADJOURNED ORDINARY MEETING of the ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Albert Building, on MONDAY, the 6th August, 1894, at 3 P.M., to transact the following business:—

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II. To confirm the appointment by the Board of the Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal U. Yajnik and Mr. S. M. Moses as Directors of the Company.

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JAIKISONDAS GUNGADAS .....Plaintiff.

VERSUS

TAPIBAI, Widow of MANGULDAS TAPIDAS, Deceased.....Defendant.

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Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of PREMJI DAYAL, late of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, Deceased.

CHATURBHUJ MORARJEE, JAMNADAS NARSI, and RATTANJI MULJI, the Executors named in the Will .....Petitioner.

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Witness, LYTTELTON HOLYOAKE BAYLEY, Esquire, Acting Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, the 24th Day of July, in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-four, and in the Fifty-eighth Year of Our Reign.

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W. WEBB,
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18th July, 1894.

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AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....£1,500,000
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PAID UP CAPITAL .....£554,907 10s.

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Do. Two or Three Years	4½ per cent. ,,

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If paid in India	Commission ¼th per cent.
On Delivering up Government Paper or Shares from Safe Custody	,, ¼th ,,
On Paying Proceeds of Sale of Government Paper or Shares in India	,, ¼th ,,

R. KENNEDY,
Manager.

Elphinstone Circle, Bombay.

NATIONAL BANK of INDIA, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ...£ 1,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL .....£ 500,000.
RESERVE FUND .....£ 120,000

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BRANCHES:
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BOMBAY BANK AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Name.	Shares.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last Half-Yearly Divd.	Cash Rate.
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Bank of Bombay	20,000	Rs. 500	Rs. all	10 pr. ct.	Rs. 1,205‡
Bank of Bengal	40,000	400	all	10 pr. ct.	1,200
Bank of Madras	10,000	200	all	15 pr. ct.	1,000
Commercial Bk.	7,500	100	100	10 p. c.	165 to 169
Ld. Mgs.	2,000	100	50		65 to 70
	3,000	100	10		15 to 17
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	100,000	£10	all	5 pr. ct.	20xl
Mercantile Bank	50,000	£20	£20	7 pr. ct.	£20
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	$125	all	£1	£ 35
National Bank of India	40 000	£25	£12½	9 pr. ct.	225

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

Alliance	1,800	1,000	all	Rs. 15	505
Arya Indian	1,345	500	100	Nil	12
Ballary S & W Co. Ld. (Bellary)	871	5 0	all	per ct.	310
Bombay Unified	900	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.20	640
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co.	600	500	500	20	365
Bombay National Manfg. Co. Ld.	800	1,000	1,000	...	170
Britannia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	200
Central India	1,000	500	500	dvd Rs.35	1,255
China Mills Co. Ld.	800	1,000	1,000	Nil	390
City of Bombay Mills	800	1,000	1,000	...	850
Connaught Mills	800	800	80	Nil	635
Colaba Land & Mill	4,000	700		Rs. 10	570
Coorla Mills	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.25	435
David Mill	1,400	600	500	Rs. 15	365
Dhun Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	50	300
Empress	2,100	500	500	Nil	520
Framjee Petit's (Undustan	1,200	1,000	1,000	Nil	220
Ginguishai Mill	875	1,000	1,000	Nil	730
Howard and Bonaghe	1,600	500	500	40 / 20	980
Hyderabad	700	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.50	535
Imperial Cotton	1,100	500	500	Nil	1,100
Indian Manfg.	800	500	500	Nil	350
James Greaves	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 50	1,170
Jaffer Alli	1,100	500	500	Nil	740
Jamshed Manufacturing Co.	800	500	500	Nil	340
Jeevan Bakoo	1,000	250	250		117½
Jubilee Mills	1,000	1,000	500	dvd Rs.40	800
Co. Ld.	600	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	595
Khatau Makanji	750	1,500	1,000	Nil	605
Khengaum Manfg. Co.	400	250	250	Nil	325
Khatao Makanjee	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	625
Leopold	3,500	100	103	Nil	167½
Kurla Reay Mfg.	845	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.15	690
Lakmidas Spinning & Weaving Co.	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	365
Madhavdas United	350	1,000	1,000	Rs. 100	2,675
Maharkrishna	950	1,000	1,000	Nil	300
Mahboob Shah Mills (Gulbarga)	2,400	500	500	15 pr. ct	153½
Manockjee Petit	4,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 50	1,620
Manugee	5,000	0	250	Nil	131½
Morarji Goculdas	1,950	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.60	1,350
Maharaja Mysore S & M Co.	4,500	100	100		
Madura Mills	1,778	100	100	Nil.	Pa-
National	500	1,000	1,000	Nil.	75
New Great Eastern	1,400	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	390
Oriental	5,725	625	625	Nil	350
Presidency Mills Co (Ld.)	743	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	1,230
Queen Mills	800	1,000	1,000	Nil	565
Ripon Mills	600	1,000	1,000	...	333
Second	1,600	1,000	1,000	25	1,400
Sholapore Mills	600	1,000	1,000	...	1,375
Scinderdas	750	1,000	1,000	Nil	560
Southern India	1,000	500	500	Rs. 15	150
Southern Mahratta	1,212	250	250	12½	340
Sun Mills, Ld.	1,200	250	250	12½	170
Star of India	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	140
Swadeshi Mills	475	500	500	Rs. 15	510
Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co.	900	1,000	1,000	50	550
Venkatramker Lakhmishanker C. Mill Co Ld.	980	50	900	15	600
Victoria Mills	1,000	100	1,000	Nil	200
Western India	1,700	1,00	1,700	Nil	725
Wadia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	...	...
Union Mills Ld	900	1,000	1,000	...	500

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar	300	1,250	1,250	75	1,450
Albert (Ginning Co	100	500	all		450
Albert (Karrachee)	200	1,100	1,100	18 pr. ct. 90	1,075
Bellary	167	1,000	1,000	11	215
Bhownuggur City Press & Manfg Co, Ld	550	250	250	dvd 45	285
Bombay Cotton	1,000	125	125	dvd Rs.7	150
Bombay Samachar Press Co. Ld.	500	200	200		107½
Bgnach City Press Co., Ld.	600	200	all	14	207½
Colaba	600	1,880	1,880	20	310
East India	350	1,000	1,000	75 dvd	1,175
English Press and Manfg.	400	250		Nil	105
Fort	515	2'500		Rs. 80	1,200
French	300	50		Nil	425
Harvey and Sabapathy	450	500	500	30	450
Gingoli Press Co., Ld.	750	400	all	4	105
Changaum	940	450	450	Nil	420
Mahuva Press Co., Ld	300	200	all	15 pr. ct.	245
Mahnadpura Cotton G. and P. Co., Ld.	800	500	500	63	120
Mercantile	1,000	125	125	10	112½
Mofussil Co	3,125	400	400	Nil	390
Munmar M	1,000	200	all	Nil	235
New Berar	1,200	600	600	Nil	535
New Indian	4,000	125	125	Nil	127½
Prince of Wales	100	500	500	Rs35dv	475
Sabapathy (Bellary)	800	500	75	20	480
Samson	300	500	500	20	585
Sind and Punjab Co.	100	1,000	90	180	1,930
Sind	400	2,000	750	35	570
Surat City Press Co., Ld.	275	200	all	16	200
Volkart		1,00	1000	Rs. 0	1,050

MISCELLANEOUS.

				Last Divd.	
Alcock Ashdown	1,000	200	200	10	310xd
	750	50	150	75	225xd
Back Bay Baths	500	50	50	12	40
Badhan Pile	4,000	100	100	10	95xd
Bombay & Burma Trading Corporation	1,000	2,500	1,500	Rs. 300	5,175
Do. New Issue	500	375	625	Rs. 75	1,285
Bombay Ice Mfg. Co., Ld.	1,250	100	100	ex div 2	72
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld.	600	500	500	5 pr. ct.	630
Bombay Flour Mill	1,000	500	500	Rs. 50	1,305
Deccan Ice Co.	1,170	100	100	Nil	15
Deccan Paper Mills	1,000		500	5 pr. ct.	250
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills	1,500	300	300	Rs. 20	270
Delhi Cloth & General Mills Co., Ld.	2,800	250	250	7½ pr. ct.	300
Indian Guarantee Surety Ship Assn	5,000	100	10	10 pr.ct.	18½
John Roberts & Co.	1 500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	130
Shangi r Bi Karani & Co, Ld	2,000	500	100	8 pr.ct.	85
Kemp & Co.	4,000	200	175	Rs. 23-12	320
Kurrachee Landing	500	500	200	30	165
Maharanee Ice Manufacturing Co.	3,500	100	100	Nil.	30
Marcks & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	100	Rs. 10	96xd
Napier Hotel Co	2,000	100	100	9 pr.ct.	90
Napier Foundry	1,000	100	200		60
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance	5,000	200	60	12 pr. ct.	180
Phillips & Co., Ld	4,000	100	100	Rs. 7	35xd
Port Canning Co	8,000	1,000	1,000	19	495
Prince of Wales Fire In.	250	8,000	1,000	N dvd.	2,300
Soundy & Co	1,000	100	100	9	50
Treacher & Co.	2,000	500	100	80	220
Thacker & Co.	1,500	100	100	5	55
Telephone Co.	9,200	25	all	5	19xd
			100		
			25		

PRICES OF BULLION.

Sovereigns	Rs.	18-7
Dacoits	"	204 nom.
Mexican Dollars	"	195
Gold Five-Franc Pieces	"	380 nom.
Bar Silver	"	96
Gold Leaf	"	23-15
Bar Gold, English (100 touch)	"	29-11
Bar Australian	"	29-3
Bar Bombay	"	29-2
Bar Pekin	"	28-8

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per cent	103 3-16
Three-and-a-half per cent	102‡
Municipal 5 percent, Debenture Loans	125
New French Loan 5 per cent. 1879	nom.
City of Paris Loan	250 nom.
Four per cent. Port Trust Bond	107

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Homeless Leper Fund Committee, Municipal Offices, 5 p.m.

Cricket: Gymkhana vs. Colaba Garrison.

Music at the Yacht Club, 6 p.m.

VESSEL SAILED.—The steamer Simla sailed yesterday for the Persian Gulf, via Karachi.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamer Tannadice left the dock yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamer Constance entered the dock yesterday.

BOMBAY GUN CLUB.—The Gun Club will meet, at 4-30 o'clock, to-morrow afternoon, at Love Grove, Worli, (weather permitting).

GYMKHANA RUGBY FOOTBALL.—There will be a practice game, this evening, with the Rangers' Football Club. Play will commence at 5-20 p.m. sharp.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Penang, Singapore, and Hongkong, per extra steamer Aden, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 6 p.m., to-day.

THE HOMELESS LEPER FUND.—There will be a meeting of the general committee of the Homeless Leper Fund, to-day, at 5 p.m., in the Municipal offices. It is hoped that all members will attend.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Zanzibar direct, per extra steamer Hoogsinee, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 12 o'clock noon, to-day. Only articles specially superscribed for despatch by this vessel will be forwarded.

A MISSING WIFE.—Jairam Visram, residing at Erskine Road, has reported to the police that his wife, Mooktee, aged eighteen years, left home, on Tuesday, taking with her ornaments, of the value of Rs. 43, and has not since been heard of.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.—We are requested to draw attention to an advertisement, appearing elsewhere, announcing that an examination for unpaid probationers will be held, at the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay, on Monday, the 13th proximo.

RASH DRIVING.—Mr. Cooper, Chief Presidency Magistrate, yesterday, fined Ismail Khanbhai Rs. 10 for rash driving. Accused while driving along Mombadevi Road, at a furious rate, knocked down Narayen Damji, a Hindu, a wheel of the vehicle passing over one of his legs.

SERIOUSLY INJURED BY A FALL.—Joseph Murree Munoo, aged twenty-six years, residing at Murr, in the Tanna District, was, on Wednesday, brought to Bombay from his native village by his wife, and taken to the J. J. Hospital, suffering from injuries to his back and right hand, caused by his having fallen from a tree near his house.

A JUVENILE THIEF.—Yesterday, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. Cooper, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Mynn charged Alexander Gayzel, a Eurasian, with theft. The accused removed a brooch, belonging to Mrs. Walting, from a table in her room. He was sentenced to be kept in the lock-up of the chowkey, at the Esplanade Police Court, for two days.

THE MAHRATTA RELIEF COMMITTEE.—A special general meeting of the subscribers to this committee's fund will be held at the residence of Mr. R. B. Malap, J.P., Girgaum, Koliwadi, near the French Bridge, on Sunday, at 3 p.m., for the transaction of the following business:—To receive (1) the report of the general committee, which will include, *inter alia*, the accounts of receipts and expenditure; and (2) the report of the sub-committee appointed at the last general meeting to entertain and report on new petitions; and to pass such resolutions thereon as may be deemed expedient.

MUSIC AT THE YACHT CLUB.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel Ryley and Officers, the Band of the 1st North Lancashire Regiment will perform the following programme, at the Yacht Club, at 6 p.m. (weather permitting):—

March	Triumphal	Hoby.
Overture	Flotte Bursone	Suppe.
Valse	La Cigale	Coote.
Gavotte	Heryliebchen	Burald.
Selection	Utopia Limited	Sullivan.
Polka	Chappies	Fare.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

DEFRAUDING A RAILWAY COMPANY.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Bala Paya, a peon, in the employ of the Southern Mahratta Mill Company, was charged, at the instance of the chief constable of the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, with defrauding a railway company, in that he travelled on the 15th instant, from Grant Road to Churney Road Station, with a periodical pass available only from Churney Road to Church Gate Station, and *vice-versa*. The accused was arrested while travelling in one of the local trains on the above date. He was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 5, and was further ordered to pay the company one anna and nine pies as the fare for travelling between the above stations.

A PRACTISED HOUSE-BREAKER.—Before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Inspector Holdway charged Hassan Abba, a Mahomedan, of notorious character, with house-breaking and committing theft in respect of gold and silver ornaments, of the value of Rs. 76, belonging to Jevraj Oodhavji, a goldsmith, residing at Coombharwada. On the night of the 10th instant, between the hours of 10 p.m. and 4 a.m. complainant's shop, at Coombharwada, was broken into by removing the shutters of a window facing the sweeper's gully, and a box, containing gold and silver ornaments, of the value of Rs. 76, was carried away. A report was made to the police, and on inquiry the box *minus* its contents was found lying in the gully. The offender could not be traced until the 22nd instant, when a policeman arrested accused, while disposing of some ornaments to a Marwaree at Coombharwada. The whole of the property was subsequently recovered and identified by complainant. The magistrate on the evidence convicted accused on a charge of receiving and disposing of stolen property, and sentenced him to suffer six months' rigorous imprisonment.

A STRANGE WAY OF EXORCISING THE DEVIL.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Inspector Fleming charged Luximon Ragoo, before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, with theft in respect of two gold ear-rings, of the value of Rs. 10 each, and Rs. 10 in cash, the property of Sagoo, a woman, residing with her father, at Gowalia Tank Road. It appeared from the evidence that the complainant's father, who is a mallee, for some time past was believed to be suffering from the influence of some evil spirit, and in order to drive away this undesirable occupant, he sent for the accused, who was said to possess the power of exorcising, to his house last Monday. Accused went to complainant's house, and while the latter was away from the room, opened a box, and abstracted therefrom two gold ear-rings and Rs. 10 in cash. A complaint being made to the police, accused was arrested, and the ear-rings were recovered from a Marwaree, named Hunsa Dhunroop, at Girgaum Road, with whom they had been pledged by accused for Rs. 11. As he had been in jail before for a similar offence, the magistrate sentenced him to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

SMOKING AMONG STUDENTS.—The "Mumbai Vaibhava," a daily vernacular paper of this city, having in a recent issue suggested the starting of clubs to check the increasing habit of smoking among students, on the model of clubs formed for a similar purpose in New York, the members of the Robert Money Institution Debating Society, the other day, organized a general meeting of students of the institution, nearly a hundred and fifty young men being present. Mr. R. L. Gharat, assistant teacher, occupied the chair. Mr. Yeshwant Giwaji, in an interesting speech, delivered in Mahratti, traced the history of the importation of tobacco into India from America by the early English merchants, and exhorted the students to abstain from smoking. The chairman, in calling upon the students to pass a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer remarked that, although on certain grounds, the habit of smoking might be tolerated among grown-up persons, it was certainly to be avoided by students. He called upon those youths, who had not yet contracted the habit, to give pledges to their teachers or parents that they would not smoke till they had attained the twenty-fifth year of their age, and advised those who might have already contracted the habit, to keep it under control, or give it up altogether.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a Chemist and get a Bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for Dysentery and Diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere at 1s. 1½d. per bottle.

CHARGE OF CARRYING AN EXCESS OF PILGRIMS.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. Cooper, Chief Presidency Magistrate, resumed the hearing of the case, in which Captain John Ilich, master of the s. s. Abdul Kadir, which arrived in Bombay on the 6th instant, stood charged with carrying passengers in excess of the number allowed by law. Mr. Nicholson, the acting Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown; while the captain was defended by Mr. Brown, of Messrs. Brown and Moir.

Syed Mahomed Effendi, the doctor on board the steamer, was recalled, and further examined, by Mr. Nicholson. He said that he had not found his diploma on board. Mr. Walsh had taken a document from him. The diploma held by him was granted twelve years ago. It authorised him to practise as a physician, but not as a surgeon. He joined the Abdul Kadir at Aden when she was on her way to Jeddah from the Persian Gulf. He was informed at Jeddah by the owner of the ship that she was going to take pilgrims from Jeddah to India.

Mr. Brown here asked the court for a copy of the rules, which his client was stated to have infringed, and his Worship complied with the request.

In cross-examination by Mr. Brown, witness said that he had started learning medicine at Cairo when a boy ten years old, and remained there for ten years. He was at the medical school at Cairo, and the certificate he had obtained was with Mr. Walsh. It certified to his articles, and allowed him to practise as a physician. He had been in the Egyptian army as a medical practitioner, and was once in charge of a regiment. When at Jeddah he had seen the principal medical officer there, and he knew he was going as the doctor of the ship. The medical officer approved of witness going as a doctor of the ship. Witness was on board at Aden when the pilgrims came on board and were counted, the steamer sailing the same night for Bombay.

In re-examination by Mr. Nicholson, witness said that he went to the principal medical officer at Jeddah. The name of the principal medical officer was Ahmed Effendi. Dr. Ahmed was appointed by the Turkish authorities as principal medical officer. The certificate granted at Cairo was taken by witness to Constantinople, and he here studied for seven years, after which he took his diploma.

Witness here asked that Mr. Walsh should return his diploma, as he could not do without it.

Mr. Walsh said he had handed back the diploma to the witness after seeing it on board. He would, however, order a search to be made for it.

Witness said that he had evidence to prove that his certificate had not been returned to him.

The evidence of some of the Customs officers having been recorded the court rose for tiffin.

Mr. Brown, in addressing the court on behalf of the defendant, submitted that the Act under which his client was charged did not explicitly lay down that its provisions were applicable to the foreign ships, in the same sense as the Act applicable to British subjects was not applicable to the foreigner. Mr. Brown cited a decision of Mr. Justice Scott, while on the High Court bench in 1888 against the principles of the Committee of International Law. Mr. Brown drew attention to the fact that the ship was a foreign vessel, it being a Turkish ship, and its captain was a foreigner, an Austriac, he having been born at Dalmatia. Section 47 of the Act, though capable of wide construction, could not create a jurisdiction of the court when none existed. Nor could the section by itself infringe the universally-recognised principles of the International Law.

The case stands adjourned.

CHARGE OF DEFAMATION AGAINST A PARSEE HIGH PRIEST.

BEFORE Mr. Cooper, Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. Daver, barrister-at-law, appeared to know if his Worship intended to issue a summons against Dastur Jamaspji, a Parsee high-priest, who was charged with defamation by his client, Shirinbai, daughter-in-law of the dastur, on whose behalf he (Mr. Daver) had filed an information on Tuesday.

His Worship was of opinion that the dastur was privileged to make a statement such as he was alleged to have made. He would, therefore, only issue a notice calling upon the dastur to show cause why he should not be proceeded against on the charge of defamation. The magistrate further remarked that the other side had also put in an information.

Mr. Daver had no objection to such a course but said his client was a poor woman, and during the time the notice would be argued, the court would have to go through the whole evidence on both sides.

His Worship replied that he would not go into evidence in the matter at any great length. The 9th of August was fixed for the hearing of the argument.

HIGH COURT.—JULY 27.

(Before the Hon'ble the Acting CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice FARRAN.)

For Judgment.

789—Chalk W and S—Sakharam Morarjee Shetay and others vs Kalidas Callianjee and others—Thakurdas D and C.

795—Mathubai and J—Thaker Jetha Dhunjee vs Thaker Chagpal Jetha—F P Pavri—Part heard.

796—Nanu and H—Kumar Shri Samaisinjee and others vs Bhaishankar Kurgowan—Bhaishanker and K.

802—Thakurdas D and C—Chimanram Mirjamal vs Tribhowundas Jugjeevandas—Chitnis M and M.

803—Crawford B and Co—Damodhar Goondas and another vs Charles Agnew Turner—Bhaishunker and K.

804—Little S N and B—Kankubai vs Punnalal Poonumchand —Ardesir H and D.

805—Little S N and B—F Y Smith and others vs Tribhowandas Mungruldas—Nanu and H.

807—Bhaishunker and K—The New Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Co Ld vs Purshotum Govindji and another—Brown and M.

809—Ardesir H and D—Nanabhoy Burjorjee Watcha vs Shapurjee Jeewajee—Pestonjee R and K, L S and N B and Nanu and H, and K D Shroff.

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450-93—K D Shroff—Manekchand Tulsey vs Manekji Sorabji.

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166-94—Bhaishanker and K—Madhowrao Amratrao and another vs Thaker Narronji Keshavji—Wadia and G.

444-93—In person a pauper—Kadurbhai Meerabhai vs Basker Juggennath and other—K J Mantri.

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70-94—In person—Framji Hormasji Dhodhi vs Goolbai and others—In person.

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RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla. In. Cts.	Esplde. In. Cts.	Fort. In. Cts.	Colaba. In. Cts.
Previously registered	39 78	47 31	48 10	42 80
Thursday, July 26th	6 3	....	0 04	0 02
Total ..	59 81	47 31	48 14	42 82
Total fall to July 26th, 1893	50 39	44 27	43 33	41 73
Total fall to July 26th, 1892	36 32	29 31	30 44	30 78

Rainfall at Byculla registered from 6 p.m. to 6 p.m.; at the Esplanade and Fort from 8 a.m. to 8 a.m.; and at Colaba from 6 a.m. to 6 a.m.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSSDAY, THE 26TH OF JULY.

1. The barometric readings are all corrected to Calcutta standard and reduced to the same temperature 32° and also to the sea level.

2. The 2nd column under the head 'Wind gives the average motion of the air in miles per hour during the past 24 hours, and is obtained by dividing the total number of miles of wind registered by an anemometer during the previous 24 hours by 24.

3. The temperatures given in the table are of the air in the shade or in a small shed with open sides and a thatched or straw roof. The maximum (max.) and minimum (min.) temperatures are the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours preceding 8 a.m.

4. The humidity is given as a percentage expressing the ratios of the actual amount of moisture in the air to the amount required to saturate it.

Stations.	Barometer, 8 A.M.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Rate per hour.	Temperature in Shade. Maximum of past 24 hours.	Temperature in Shade. Minimum of past 24 hours.	Humidity, 8 A.M.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours.	Rainfall. Since 1st June to date.	Variation, 1st June to date.
Delhi	29·574	Calm	1	94·0	83·0	71	0·05	10·59	—0·75
Agra	29·551	N W	5	95·5	81·2	68	...	7·97	—4·42
Cawnpore	29·579	E N E	3	91·3	81·1	76	...	12·07	...
Allahabad	29·501	E N E	7	90·6	76·8	85	1·23	26·01	+9·79
Jhansi	29·598	Calm	4	88·1	76·7	91	0·45	21·24	+6·54
Jacobabad	29·449	S	4	106·4	83·5	88	...	0·13	—0·97
Karachi	29·530	W	12	89·5	72·8	91	0·44	18·62	+15·37
Jeypore	29·612	S W	5	89·6	74·0	84	...	12·06	+1·85
Ajmere	29·612	S W	8	82·9	73·6	86	...	13·87	+5·33
Deesa	29·608	S W	16	91·1	73·0	95	0·36	15·46	+4·30
Ahmedabad	29·642	W S W	6	83·7	76·6	87	0·08	33·39	...
Bhuj	29·587	S W	25	82·4	72·4	91	0·06	25·82	+17·88
Rajkot	29·636	W	16	81·4	74·7	89	0·28	43·71	+27·48
Veraval	29·680	W S W	18	89·5	77·9	91	0·05	24·29	...
Neemuch	29·644	S W	16	82·7	71·7	82	...	14·72	+2·07
Indore	29·692	W	7	89·0	70·6	95	0·27	15·37	+1·04
Sangor	29·607	W	8	77·8	68·5	98	0·16	38·58	+18·89
Jubbulpore	29·564	W S W	8	78·9	71·1	100	3·15	31·3	+4·99
Hoshangabad	29·652	S S W	5	89·3	72·2	98	0·65	27·59	+4·40
Khandwa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raipur	29·565	W S W	17	74·2	70·1	92	3·54	29·88	+6·90
Nagpur	29·617	W S W	12	79·4	73·1	88	0·56	21·45	—0·24
Amraoti	29·682	W N W	10	80·6	71·3	88	0·55	24·34	+8·51
Akola	29·699	W	8	82·5	72·7	95	0·34	19·27	+4·34
Surat	29·678	S W	8	86·3	78·1	89	0·06	35·61	+9·76
Malegaon	29·707	W	15	86·9	72·1	84	...	8·80	—0·32
Bombay	29·706	W S W	18	85·0	78·3	90	0·22	42·53	+1·33
Poona	29·767	W	15	80·6	70·4	77	0·07	14·84	+4·21
Aurangabad	29·759	W S W	7	87·4	71·1	85	0·09	7·78	...
Sholapur	29·778	W S W	15	87·7	70·9	67	...	3·66	—5·23
Ratnagiri	29·799	W N W	8	84·4	77·4	87	0·09	67·92	+4·97
Belgaum	29·804	W N W	30	75·8	66·3	90	0·04	31·40	+9·39
Goa	29·794	W N W	10	84·1	77·4	91	0·46	55·00	...
Karwar	29·832	Calm	4	83·2	73·2	98	0·31	51·85	—19·76
Mangalore	29·800	Calm	2	86·8	72·9	95	0·78	58·35	—7·87
Calicut	29·868	Calm	4	83·2	74·1	92	0·63	63·07	+4·45
Cochin	29·804	N N E	3	85·2	73·2	91	1·05	40·82	—6·63
Bangalore	29·852	W S W	11	82·8	65·8	79	...	6·28	—0·82
Secundrabad	29·743	W S W	11	85·6	71·4	71	...	4·72	—6·14
Masulipatm	29·712	W N W	9	93·6	78·1	68	0·10	6·91	—3·57
Bellary	29·732	W	9	92·8	73·4	88	...	1

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

THURSDAY, 26TH JULY, 1894.

THE progress of the S. W. Monsoon has been marked, in Western India, by cyclonic storms, leading to disastrous floods and destruction of property—possibly to loss of life also—and cutting off communication with some districts; but, at the Presidency, after more than a fortnight of incessant rain, a break in the weather has occurred. Arrivals of Produce, under the above circumstances, are necessarily upon a very small scale; but demand for our principal Export staples has been very limited, Cotton having been quite neglected, and Wheat very much so, while the late active enquiry for seeds has quite subsided. Supported by the enhanced prices obtained for Indian Council drawings this week, and with a strengthening influence from Calcutta, rates of Exchange have advanced in a steady or firm market, and close 5-32d. higher for Bank, and ¼d. for Private Paper than they ruled a week ago. Money is in moderate demand. Government Securities have declined ⅛ per cent. in Fours. Freights close nominally steady, 3d. to 6d. per ton above last week's rates being asked by holders of tonnage; but cargo, especially for prompt shipment, is very scarce. Business in Imports has suffered from the interruption of railway communication caused by the floods; but no quotable change in prices has taken place in staple Manchester goods.

MONEY continued in fair demand during the week covered by the Presidency Bank's Statement of Affairs, issued on Monday, in which the principal noteworthy item was an increase of 25¼ lakhs in Loans, and though this was partly counterbalanced by a considerable addition to Private Deposits, and a slight falling off in Bills Discounted, the Cash Balance, instead of the increase of 11¼ lakhs, at 183 1-8 lakhs, disclosed by the Return, would have shown a material diminution but for an increase in Public Deposits. This aggregated 19¼ lakhs at the Bank's head office and branches, in addition to which the Cash Balance was helped by the realization of Government Securities to the extent of some 3¼ lakhs. Money has meantime been in moderate demand, and no change has been made this week in the rates of the Bank of Bombay, the minimum thus remaining at 5 per cent.

EXCHANGE opened on last mail-day with a steady feeling at 1s. 0 13-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 0 15-16d. for three months' sight Credits, at which latter rate we heard of no transactions; and for Bank remittance also there was no enquiry at the rates quoted above; but a moderate amount was taken at 1s. 0 27-32d. for Telegraphic, for ready and forward Transfer. Calcutta rates came firmer, and Gold was also reported to be offering again; and the market closed steady to firm. On Saturday there was again a steady feeling at 1s. 0 27-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, ready and forward, and at 1s. 0 31-32d. for three months' sight Credits, without, however, much business transpiring either way; but Gold, and re-sales of Bank Paper were reported to be offering again. The market opened steady again on Monday at 1s. 0 23-32d. for Bank Telegraphic, and 1s. 0 7/8d. for Demand, and at 1s. 0 31-32d. for three months' sight Credits. For Bank remittance the enquiry was again very limited, though a moderate amount was placed at 1s. 0 7/8d. in the early part of the day, for Demand; also a few three months' sight Credits, at 1s. 0 31-32d.; but rates came firmer from Calcutta during the day, and this market also closed firm. On Tuesday rates opened steady at 1s. 0 29-32d. Telegraphic and Demand, for Bank remittance, and remained practically unchanged throughout the day, with no enquiry thereat; but a moderate amount of each medium was reported during the day at 1s. 0 15-16d. Three months' sight Credits opened at 1s. 1d., at which a little was done, the rate thereafter being raised 1-32d. to 1s. 1 1-32d., at which a little changed hands; but the business passing either way was very limited. Yesterday the market opened firm in presence of the enhanced rates obtained for extra Council Drawings on the previous day, at 1s. 0 15-16d. for Bank Telegraphic, and 1s. 0 15-16 to 31-32d. for Demand, at which latter rate we heard of a moderate amount being placed; and for three months' sight Credits 1s. 1 1-32d. was named early in the day; but nothing transpired at the rate, as quotations coming firmer from Calcutta, rates here also became firmer, and 1s. 1 1-16d. was asked and paid for three months' sight Bills, for near delivery. this market closing steady. The Indian Council sold yesterday 29¾ lakhs of Bills in the three Presidencies at 1s. 1d., and 10¼ lakhs Wire Transfers at 1s. 1 1-32d., on Calcutta and Madras, besides ¼ lakh of extra Bills on Bombay at 1s. 1 1-16d.; and this market opened steady this evening at 1s. 0 31-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, a moderate amount of the former, and a considerable amount of the latter being placed at these quotations, for ready and forward. For three months' sight Credits the opening rate was 1s. 1 3-32d.; but nothing offering at this, 1-32d. lower was named, and a few Bills came out; but Mercantile Paper, as usual at this time of the year, is not plentiful. From Calcutta we hear that rates there are about 1-32d. higher than those ruling here which are as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 0 31-32d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 0 15-16d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 1d.	"
Do. 4 "	1s. 1 1-32d.	"
Do. 6 "	1s. 1 1-16d.	"
Credits 3 "	1s. 1 1-16d.	"
Do. 6 "	1s. 1 1-8d.	"
Documents 3 "	1s. 1 3-32d.	"
Do. 6 "	1s. 1 5-32d.	"
Francs 3 "	1·37½	"
Do. 6 "	1·38½	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER was first quoted on last Friday morning at 103 13-16 for Fours, for Money and Account; but the rate soon declined 1-8 per cent. to 103 11-16, in both positions, at which it remained steady to the close; with 103¼ quoted for 3½ per Cents, and for the 4 per cent. Loan of 1842-3. On Saturday, Fours opened at 103 11-16, both for cash and the coming settlement, and, after declining 1-16 to 1-8 per cent. closed at 103 9-16 in the two positions; 103¼ having been the closing price for 3½ per Cents, and the 4 per cent. Loan of 1842-3. The market was weak on Monday, and rates for Fours declined to 103¼ for cash and the coming settlement, and 103 for the August account, these having been the closing quotations, 102 5/8 was quoted for 3½ per Cents, and 102¾ for the 4 per cent. Loan of 1842-3; but, at closing, 103 was named. Four per Cents opened on Tuesday at 103 5-16 for Money and Account, and at 103 3-16 for the August settlement, at which rates the market was steady all day, closing on the same level; with 3½ per Cents quoted at 103; and the 4 per cent. Loan of 1842-3 at 102¾. Yesterday the market opened at 103 5-16 for Fours for cash and the near settlement, and 103 3-16 for the August account, and the market was steady at about these prices, with buyers in all positions, closing quotations having been 103 3/8 and 103 1/8 for Money and Account, and the August settlement, respectively. 103 was quoted for 3½ per Cents; and 102¾, buyers, for the 4 per cent. Loan of 1842-3. The market has been weak to-day at 103 3-16 for Fours for Money and the near settlement, and 103 1-16 for the August account; but rates hardened towards the close, and 1-8 per cent. higher was quoted; 102¾ having been the final rate for 3½ per Cents, and 102 5/8 for the 4 per cent. Loan of 1842-3.

Municipal 5 per cent. Loan is unchanged at 128; and Port Trust Bonds at 107.

SHARES have been a quiet market this week, and, as far as Cotton Mill shares are concerned, the changes which have taken place have been more in buyers' than in sellers' favour. Compared with our quotations of last Thursday evening, we note a decline of Rs. 25 in Luckmidas; of Rs. 22½ in Maneckji Petit; of Rs. 20 in Presidency, and Swadeshi; of Rs. 10 each in Hindustan, James Greaves, New Great Eastern, and Soonderdas; of Rs. 5 each in Alliance, Connaught, David, Empress, and Framji Petit. On the other hand, Ripon have advanced Rs. 60; Queen, Rs. 45; Sholapore, and City of Bombay, Rs. 25; and Mazagon, Re. 1¼. In Press Scrip, Mofussil have advanced Rs. 5; and New Indian, Rs. 2½. In Miscellaneous, Bombay-Burma Trading, second issue, have declined Rs. 5; Bombay Flour Rs. 5; and Port Canning Rs. 5; while Kemp and Co. and Oriental Life have advanced Rs. 5; Treacher and Co. have advanced Rs. 10. Bank of Bombay shares are Re. 1¼ higher; Bank of Bengal are Rs. 75 higher.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—Owing to the heavy rains in the earlier part of the week, and the interruptions of railway communication through the floods, business in staple *Grey Goods* has been upon a very limited scale; and though latterly the rains has abated, and traffic has re-commenced in the flooded districts, business has not improved. Dealers are willing sellers; but up-country buyers are only taking small ready lots, and, on the whole, business is much restricted. Prices generally are unchanged. In *Bleached*, *Dyed*, *Turkey Red*, and *Printed Goods* there has been no change in position or value; and the same may be said of *Locally-made goods*. The Clearances of *Imported Goods* from the Bazaar during the week have been about 2,300 packages; and of *Local* some 2,000 bales.

YARNS.—The market for *Imported Twist* has been quiet in tone, with only a small business passing; but prices are quite unchanged. The business in *Bombay Spinnings* in China for the week ending on Tuesday morning amounted to about 7,000 bales, with Exchange on Bombay at Rs. 196. China buyers here were operating very eagerly up to Tuesday evening, and a large business was thus done at an advance of 1-16 to 1-8 anna per lb. On Wednesday, however, there were rumours afloat that war was about to break out between China and Japan, which has completely driven China buyers out of the market. The week's Sales aggregate about 6,000 bales; and the market closed firm at the following official quotations:—

Twist ...	... No. 6s	Mule	As.	4 5/8	to	4¾	per lb.
" ...	... " 8s	"	"	4¾	"	5	"
" ...	... " 10s	"	"	5	"	5¼	"
" ...	... " 12s	"	"	5 1 8	"	5 3/8	"
" ...	... " 16s	"	"	5 7/8	"	6 1/8	"
" ...	... " 20s	"	"	6 1-16	"	6 3/8	"
" ...	... " 24s	"	"	6¼	"		"
" ...	... " 32s	"	"	7¼	"	7¼	"
" ...	... " 40s	"	"	8¼	"		"

METALS.—An advance of 8 annas per cwt. has taken place in the price of *Copper* during the week, a moderate business having been reported in a firm market. *Yellow Metal* has also been taken to a moderate extent in a steady market, and on the basis of previous rates. *Iron* is quiet and unchanged in value, and in moderate request.

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—Exporters were in this market on only one day during the week under notice, when they took a few hundred bales of Bengals and Oomra descriptions; and on the two last days of last week, the Mills also bought nothing, though since then they have operated upon a small scale, their purchases having aggregated some 5,000 bales, consisting of Oomras, Dhollera-Bhownugger, Dharwar, and Bengal. The tone of the market has been quiet throughout, prices having been without movement. This evening the market closed quiet, with prices all unchanged.

Hardly any rain fell in the Bengal Cotton circle between last Thursday and Monday morning; and in the Agra and Cawnpore districts, the plants required more; but in several districts of the Oomra circle Monday's telegram reported a fall—as much as 10¼ inches at Khangaum, and 8½ at Julgaum—the plants throughout the circle being stated to be flourishing. At Broach further rain had damaged the resowing necessitated by the previous excessive fall; but the plants in the higher ground were flourishing, and the weather looked like clearing up. No reports came from the districts of the Dhollera circle (with some of which communication was interrupted by cyclonic weather; but, judging from what is known of the state of the weather in the Kathiawar Coast lately there seems likely to have been an excess of rain in that circle.

As was anticipated, this morning's telegrams from the districts reported excessive rain in the Dhollera circle, and a break was much needed there, and at Broach. More rain was needed in some districts of the Bengal circle; but in the Oomrawatti circle the Cotton plants were flourishing.

The following are to-day's quotations for Full-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in Sterling, Cost and Freight to Liverpool, *via* Canal, without commission, viz.:—

Cotton—	Per candy.—C. & F. Rs.	Per lb.
Bengal Fine	Rs.	175—2 15-16d.
Do. F. G.	"	159—2 11-16d.
Do. Good	"	149—2¼d.
Belatee, Fine	"	182—3 1-32d.
Do. Fully Good	"	174—2 15-16d.
Khandeish, Fully Good,	"	178—2 31-32d.
Do. Good	"	170—2 29-32d.
Oomra F. Good	"	183—3 1-16d.
Do. Good	"	177—2 31-32 1.
Broach, Good	"	210—3 1-2 1.
Dhollera, Fine	"	203—3 3-8 1.
Do. F. G.	"	188—3¼d.
Do. Good	"	183—3 1-16d.
S G Dharwar, Good	"	192—3 7-32d.
Westerns	"	187—3¼ 1.

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1894. Bales.	1893. Bales.	1892. Bales.
For the week	7,259	10,256	8,515
From 1st January to 25th July	1,434,472	1,470,443	1,578,382
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the week	6,057	4,176	6,247
From 1st January to 25th July	741,740	710,035	833,623
Clearances to Calcutta, China, &c.			
For the week	2,074	650	2,670
From 1st January to 25th July	125,162	128,750	131,318

WHEAT has been in but very limited demand by shippers throughout the week, and only a small business has been reported from day to day, the tone of the market having been quiet. The price of *Delhi* gave way slightly in the earlier part of the present week, making quotations stand as follows:—

White Pessy, 91 per cent.	Rs.	4	5 0	per cwt.
Do. 85 "	"	4	3 0	"
No. 1 Club Delhi	"	3	12 6	"
Red Delhi	"	3	6 9	"
Hard and Yellow	"	3	13 0	"
Red Ahmedabad	"	3	12 0	"
Hard Red	"	3	8 0	"

SEEDS.—The late active demand in this market has quite subsided, and the feeling has become quiet, with only a small export business passing. Prices of *Linseed* and *Rapeseed* declined one anna per cwt. at the end of last week, and yesterday there was a further slight fall in the value of the former, this evening's closing rates being as follows:—

Linseed	Rs.	8-2-0	to Rs. 8-4-0	per cwt.
Rapeseed, Yellow Guzerat	"	6-9-0	to " 6-10-0	"
do. do. Cawnpore	"	6-5-0	to " 6-6-0	"
do. Red do.	"	6-4-0	to " 6-6-0	"

The Comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	1894. cwts.	1893. cwts.	1892. cwts.
Wheat for the week	34,568	52,278	90,838
Do. from 1st Jan. to 25th July	2,571,368	5,257,900	7,888,496
Linseed for the week	16,898	16,734	22,880
Do. from 1st Jan. to 25th July	4,987,461	3,713,497	3,314,463
Rapeseed for the week	43,410	24,228	15,016
Do. from 1st Jan. to 25th July	3,011,776	3,822,798	1,223,059
Gingellyseed for the week	743	803	3,178
Do. from 1st Jan. to 25th July	744,463	943,505	850,538

The Clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and the Continent are as follows:—

	1894. cwts.	1893. cwts.	1892. cwts.
Wheat for the week	48,420	62,956	23,000
Do. from 1st Jan. to 25th July	1,405,044	3,818,238	7,426,520
Linseed for the week	240,003	59,238	151,295
Do. from 1st Jan. to 25th July	4,502,482	3,415,824	3,022,582
Rapeseed for the week	83,206	81,287	5,000
Do. from 1st Jan. to 25th July	2,484,414	3,332,354	882,739
Gingellyseed for the week	3,321	4,000	800
Do. from 1st Jan. to 25th July	889,559	1,082,586	933,609

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

(Open 1,490 Miles.)

The following is the statement of traffic for the week ending 21st July, 1894:—

	Coaching Traffic. Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic. Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total	1,60,023	2,37,974	5,514	4,03,511
Corresponding Week last year. Open 1,490 Miles	—	—	—	4,99,799
Decrease				Rs. 96,288

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

DEATHS.

CONNORS—July 10, at Calcutta, Mrs Ellen Connors, wife of Mr J Connors, Assistant Engineer, B N Railway.

HEGARTY—July 6, at Sitapur, of diphtheria, John P Hegarty (Sonny), eldest son of Schoolmistress Evans, 2nd Northumberland Fusiliers, aged 10 years and 9 months.

PHILLIPS—July 19, at Lucknow, Agnes, widow of the late Mr J W Phillips, of Lucknow, aged 65 years.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, JULY 27, 1894.

THE Government of India have an insatiable appetite for statistics on agricultural matters, and in view of the importance of a knowledge of the actual agrarian condition of the Empire on the part of those responsible for its administration, such a predeliction would not be open to objection if the statistics, obtained as they are at great expense, could be duly digested and assimilated. A systematic and continuous investigation of facts is, however, impossible in the absence of a Statistical Bureau, on the lines suggested to the Secretary of State two years ago. Like so many other proposals, this plan is "still under consideration" at the India Office. Meanwhile, the returns received lose much of their value because no machinery exists for presenting in a popular and useful form the immense quantity of agricultural and economic facts annually collected, for focussing and digesting these facts, and for studying their bearing on the administrative problems of the day. Hence it is that the Agricultural Department is unable to fulfil the programme with which it started on its mission. The returns instead of being explained and reviewed, by the Department are, perforce, either unutilized or published in an almost mechanical manner. The latter fate has befallen the report compiled by Mr. J. B. Fuller, Commissioner of Settlements and Agriculture in the Central Provinces, on the outturn of land under the principal crops grown in that part of India. The compilation, however, is not a mere mass of statistics, and Mr. Fuller's lucid review, although unaccompanied by a Departmental resolution, cannot fail to be of value to cultivators in the Central Provinces. It was in this part of the Empire that eight years ago experimental cuttings of crops were commenced. The result of the first quarternium of experiments was reviewed by Mr. Fuller four years ago, and he now deals with the work of the last four years, expressing a hope in doing so that the compilation will serve the purpose of the quinquennial revision of the outturn standards, prescribed by the Government of India last year. Mr. Fuller, in the first place, makes out a very good case for doing away with the existing system of calculating the outturns. The character of the crop is commonly stated in term of annas per rupee, and, under the orders of the Supreme Government, sixteen annas are to be taken as expressing an average crop, but, as the Commissioner of Settlments has before pointed out, the Native district officials seem unable to understand that sixteen annas represent a "full," as distinct from an "average," crop. In spite of frequent instructions on this point, the harvest reports received from the district offices are generally out of accord with the standard of sixteen annas as expressing an average. The district estimates if referred to sixteen annas as an average, show that in no district has the crop come up to the average more than once in seven years, and that in many districts an average has never been gathered. So convinced is Mr. Fuller of the imperfection of this system of calculation, that in the figures given in the report he attaches no anna equivalent to the standard outturns, but simply describes them as averages. It is to be hoped that as the basis of calculation adopted by the Government of India is found to be so unworkable, it will be superseded by some method of calculation less likely to be misunderstood.

Wheat, rice, juari, gram, linseed, til, sugarcane, cotton and kodon are the nine crops for which standards are framed, and between them they occupy eighty-two per cent. of the total cropped area. The greater portion of the balance is under pulses of various kinds. The cropped area includes, however, 1,548,938 acres, reckoned twice over, as bearing two crops within the year. This is for the most part rice land, bearing an after-crop of linseed or pulse, and if this area be reckoned only once, and 300,000 acres of linseed be excluded as after-crop following rice, the nine crops account for 88 per cent. of the area on which crops were grown. The wheat area is twenty-three per cent. of the total, and exceeds that of the United Kingdom by one and a-half million acres. Wheat land is seldom manured, and experiments have shown that in the absence of irrigation manure is of little or no use. Only about 16,000 acres are irrigated, and it is found that irrigation, while adding very greatly indeed to the outturn in years when the cold weather rainfall fails, does not increase the crop in favourable seasons. This fact explains the indifference of the cultivators to irrigation—a ryot does not care to lay out money when there is a good chance of its proving useless. A method much more in vogue is that of enclosing fields by banks so as to retain the drainage water, and completely flood the surface in rainy weather. This process, although largely practised, is confined within certain areas, where the circumstances are specially favourable, and the Commissioner considers that it cannot with advantage be extended except within narrow limits. The advantages of embankment are that nothing is lost either of natural fertility, or of manure by surface drainage; the growth of weeds is checked; and the storage of water renders the land independent of the rainfall in October and November, so necessary for the successful sowing of unembanked wheat. The practice of sowing wheat mixed with gram is a very common one, especially in the northern districts, and as a result the produce of wheat is on the average lowered by fifteen per cent. The gross average produce of the Provinces is 30,870,500 maunds, giving an average outturn of 606 pounds per acre—a quantity, which after satisfying export, liberally provides for the consumption of the people.

Rice is more largely grown than any other crop in the Central Provinces, in the average exceeding that of the wheat crop by about two per cent., but its cultivation is much more localised, being of importance in only ten of the eighteen districts. Owing to the development of the trade of Chhattisgarh, the export of rice, which was formerly of no great importance, is now becoming a very substantial item in the traffic of the Provinces, the exports for the five years ending 1889 averaging 943,200 maunds per annum. It has since advanced by leaps and bounds, and during 1892 totalled 3,303,346 maunds. About a third of the quantity exported is consigned to Bombay, the remainder being shared between the North-Western Provinces, the Berars, and places in the Bombay Presidency in nearly equal proportions. Population is very much denser in the rice-growing districts than elsewhere, and it is believed that the present standards underrate the produce in placing it at 1,105lbs. per acre. The area under juari is exactly one-third of that under wheat. Gram is the principal cold weather pulse, and its growth alone (that is, unmixed with wheat) covers an area of some 700,000 acres. It plays a very important part as a rotation crop with wheat, taking in this way the place of clover in English farming. A crop of greater importance in the agricultural economy of the Province than gram, inasmuch as it forms the principal food of the aboriginal races, which constitute over a fifth of the population, is kodon. This millet will thrive on the poorest soils, and is the characteristic crop of trap hill slopes—ground so stony, that it is a marvel there should be any vegetation upon it. Linseed occupies nearly nine per cent. of the cultivated area. The crop would be exceedingly profitable were it not exceedingly precarious. In a good year it gives a larger return than wheat, with a far smaller outlay on seed and cultivation. But the plants are very sensitive to damp, when in flower, and a few days' cloudy weather at this particular stage will bring a promising crop to a disappointing harvest. The oilseed til, which covers three per cent. out of the cropped area, provides one of the principal staples of export, bringing in between thirty and forty lakhs per year. It requires a light monsoon rainfall, in this respect resembling cotton. Sugarcane does not take kindly to the soil of the Central Provinces, and in these days of railways its cultivation has declined, before the competition of sugar imported from the North-Western Provinces and Bengal. Mr. Fuller has carefully tabulated the results of his investigations, but the statistics apply for the most part to separate districts and it is only after somewhat elaborate calculation that the reader is enabled to strike the average, and to see the result of the figures as applied to the Provinces as a whole. The general conclusion arrived at is that the people are very well fed "and have not to take thought for each ounce of their daily rations." This conclusion agrees with common experience, and with the opinions of those who are well acquainted with the life and habits of the people.

THE proceedings of the Select Committee on the Uniforms Bill reveals the fact that the Navy is not so sensitive on the subject as the Army, and the Bill which the Military would have as stringent as possible, the seamen consider goes too far. The object of the Bill is to prohibit the wearing of the uniforms of the Army and Navy, or colourable imitations thereof, by unauthorised persons. Sir Redvers Buller, who was the first witness called in committee in support of the Bill, said that in his official capacity he had received many complaints on the subject. The wearing of her Majesty's uniforms by the civil population for the purposes of advertisement, and so on—as, for instance, by Sandwich men—had caused much complaint. At present, as he pointed out, there is nothing to prevent anyone from wearing any uniform he chose. Only the other day, he received an official complaint from an officer at Brighton that the Town Council had put their bandsmen into an exact copy of the Horse Artillery uniform. The feeling throughout the Army was that the uniform was, so to speak, their trade-mark, and that the exclusive right to it ought not to be infringed. The feeling was not against the wearing of scarlet by persons who were not soldiers, but against the wearing of uniforms which were exact or colourable imitation of real uniforms. Out here even greater outrages are perpetrated, for the lowest class of sanitary official is regularly to be found in the uniform of the garrison artillery and whatsoever infantry regiment happens to be stationed at Colaba. Indeed, wealthy natives in Bombay go very much further afield than the local garrison for military uniforms for their servants' use, and coachmen and grooms dressed in horse artillery, hussar and dragoon uniforms are to be seen every day of the week on the drive from the hill. No more ignominious use could the uniforms of her Majesty's troops be put to. Out here, of course, the objection raised at home that the practice has an injurious effect on recruiting does not apply. But that it is an eye-sore cannot be denied. General Buller admits that the injury done to military men is a grievance rather than a wrong, but to deal effectively with the abuse it would be necessary to prohibit "colourable imitations," otherwise the law could be evaded by the slightest deviation from the real uniform. It would be quite possible, he assured the Committee, to devise suitable uniforms for bandsmen without infringing the privileges of the Army. If the prohibition were made at all, it should have general application, and the exact imitation of her Majesty's uniform should not be permitted on the stage any more than in the streets. Asked by Colonel Brookfield, M.P., who presided, whether his objection would be the same when the uniforms were associated on the stage with heroic actions, Sir Redvers said he would object to the practice; but if the Committee were strongly of opinion that stage performances should be exempted from the prohibitions of the Act, he would suggest that imitations only of uniforms should be worn for theatrical representations. This is a point on which opinion differs, for while many military officers would suppress the wearing of uniform for stage-plays, those interested in the production of plays urge that it would be a hardship on them to deprive them of the privilege of dressing their dramatis personæ in military uniform. Mr. Sanger, the great circus proprietor, for instance, employs between three and four hundred army reserve men for some of his entertainments, and dresses them in uniform which on parade the men would be entitled to wear; and when such a military scene is announced on the play-bill, it draws greater crowds than anything else. But it is not easy to see why an imitation would not do in these cases. As a matter of fact, most military dresses on the stage are at best but imitations, for a stage Dragoon officer will insist on wearing Hussar hessians, and an Infantry brass scabbard bringing further contempt on himself as a rule by appearing in hair as long as that of a travelling musician. There was much justification in Sir Redvers' declaration that he would be unwilling to leave to the Examiner of Plays the duty of deciding upon the point as to what constituted uniform. Mr. Fleetwood Wilson, Director of the Army Clothing Department, told the Committee that this question of the unauthorised wearing of uniforms had come before him for the last twenty years as a distinct and considerable grievance to the Army. At home, worn-out clothing went to the contractor, who was, however, bound not to sell it until it had been so altered as to be unrecognisable as uniform. Abroad, the commanding officer was responsible, and he sold the old uniforms as best he could; but he also was bound to see that the old uniforms were altered beyond recognition. The greater part of the Army Clothing returned to the contractor as worn out is disposed of by him abroad. In India, however, the uniform of the soldier is his own, and there is nothing to prevent a discharged soldier from selling his uniform in England on his return from India. This practice Mr. Fleetwood thinks ought to be stopped by a regulation of the India Office, though an Act of Parliament only could deal with the greater grievance. Doubtless, the soldier will be just as well satisfied if he is granted compensation, and allowed to return his apparel to the stores. Captain H. D. Barry, Assistant Director of Naval Intelligence, said that the Admiralty was anxious that the wearing of Naval uniforms should be prohibited where it brought discredit on the Service; but beyond that they did not wish to go. They would leave the decision as to what was a discreditable use of the uniform to the magistrate before whom the charge was heard. The Bill went much further than the Admiralty desired to go, for there was not in the Navy the same sensitive feeling on the subject as in the Army. This difference of feeling may be accounted for to some extent by the fact that a Naval uniform is rarely, if ever, seen ashore excepting a Naval port, and in any other place is such a remarkable travesty that the Naval officer himself must smile. At the same time it is regrettable to find the Naval officers slow to assist comrades in arms in combatting a distinct and frequently painful grievance.

NEGOTIATIONS are, we hear, on foot for the placing of four lads from Bombay in Homes in Australia, and it is hoped that they will be sent out by the end of this year or early next. The parents are in reduced circumstances, and cannot provide for or even contribute towards the expenses of their passage and outfit. Subscriptions for this purpose are now being invited. The Australian Homes Society has just issued its first annual report, which shows that it has already begun to succeed in the work it has undertaken, namely, the provision of homes in Australia for European and Eurasian children. The idea of the Homes in Australia had its origin in the Eurasian and Poor White agitation of 1889-90, which also led to the appointment of the Pauperism Committee. The Society was formed, and decided to endeavour to deal with poor children as the well-known institutions in England do, Australia, however, being chosen instead of Canada on account of its proximity. Satisfactory arrangements have been made for the reception and care of children in Australia, and now all the Committee wants is funds. A dozen or more children have already been sent to Australia, and there are applications for a dozen more.

THE annual report on the Bombay Joint Stock Companies, copious extracts from which we publish in another column, shows that during the past year thirty new companies were registered, of which two are banking, eight trading, and seventeen mills and presses. There are at present 256 companies carrying on business, as against 239 the previous year. Thirteen companies went into liquidation and eleven while under liquidation were finally dissolved during the year. The total nominal capital of the existing companies is shown at thirteen crores and sixty-three thousand rupees, and the paid-up capital, ten crores and seventy-nine thousand.

WE are informed that not a single life has been reported as lost in the recent floods at Surat, and no reports of any destruction of cattle have yet been s

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

PROGRESS OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

LONDON, JULY 26.

In the House of Commons, last night, the Bill for the Equalisation of London Rates was read a second time without a division.

THE COREAN CRISIS.

SHANGHAI, JULY 26.

News received here from Corea is conflicting, and the reported outbreak of hostilities is not officially confirmed.

The conflict which has taken place at Seoul is considered by the Chinese authorities to have been merely accidental.

THE GOHNA LAKE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JULY 26.

Latest official reports from Gohna state that percolation is still increasing to some extent.

THE VICEREGAL COUNCIL.

It is quite likely that no Legislative Council meeting will be held next Thursday as there is practically no business ready for introduction or consideration.

SIR DENNIS FITZPATRICK.

It has been decided that the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab will accompany H. E. the Viceroy to Peshawar, Rawalpindi, and Delhi, and attend the Lahore durbar. His Honor, however, will not proceed to Quetta, Beluchistan, or other places on the frontier, and will march through hills to Nathan before joining the Viceregal party.

THE BERAR LAND REVENUE CODE.

Mr. Obbard has arrived at Simla, and has commenced his special work of revising the Berar Land Revenue Code.

THE RESIDENT OF INDORE.

Mr. Crosthwaite, Resident in Indore, proceeds on leave about the middle of September, giving over charge to his successor on or about the 15th idem.

THE LOAN CONVERSION SCHEME.

Four per cent. Government promissory notes, tendered for conversion into 3½ per Cents, up to the 24th July, are:—In India—Loan of 1832-33, Rs. 8,000; Loan of 1835-36, Rs. 3,03,000; Loan of 1842-43, Rs. 14,86,56,000; Loan of 1854-55, Rs. 25,67,000; Loan of 1865, Rs. 74,09,000; Loan of 1879 (reduced), Rs. 11,79,000—total, Rs. 16,01,22,000.

A GARDEN-PARTY AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JULY 26.

H. E. the Governor held a garden-party, at Government House, this evening, at which over two hundred ladies and gentlemen were present. Tennis, golf, badminton, croquet, and a shooting gallery were the chief amusements. A capital musical ride was performed by H. E. the Governor's Body Guard, under a Native Officer. General and Mrs. Nairne were present, and also the principal Members of Council, and a large assembly. The weather was fine throughout.

THE LATE SIRDAR KHAN BAHADUR PADAMJEE PESTONJEE.

An influential and important meeting was held, this evening, at Boottee Hall, to take steps to perpetuate the memory of the late Sirdar Khan Bahadur Padamjee Pestonjee. Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy was voted to the chair. He spoke with feeling terms the loss the family and society had sustained by the death of this highly-respected gentleman. It was proposed that a public meeting be held to perpetuate his memory. Resolutions embodying this proposition were proposed and carried. At the meeting a provisional committee was appointed, and a subscription-list was at once opened, Rs. 4,000 being subscribed on the spot. A public meeting will be held at an early date.

THE STEAMER FALLS OF ETBRICK.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JULY 26.

The steamer Chusan, to-day, brought up eighteen of the crews of the Falls of Etbrick, which was abandoned as a wreck in the late cyclone in the Bay of Bengal on Wednesday. After the Chusan had tried to tow the vessel for some time in the Eastern Channel the hawsers parted, and the crew abandoned her. On arriving at Saugor the tug took the captain and sixteen volunteers and crew back to the wreck, which has been nearly totally dismasted. The lascar crew of the Chusan behaved splendidly. The Falls of Etbrick is expected to be towed into Calcutta shortly.

CAPTURE OF A BURMAN DACOIT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, JULY 26.

Kya Zi, one of the two dacoit leaders, who have been giving trouble in the Katha District, was captured on the 21st instant with three followers by the District Superintendent.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LIVERPOOL, JULY 25.

The Hall Line steamer Aston Hall left here this morning.

PLYMOUTH, JULY 25.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Ganges arrived here this morning.

HONGKONG, JULY 26.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Shanghai (extra) left here yesterday afternoon.

SINGAPORE, JULY 26.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Java arrived here on the 24th instant.

COLOMBO, JULY 26.

French mail-steamer Yarrar from Suez arrived.

The German East Africa Line steamer Setos arrived at Zanzibar, from Bombay, on the 25th instant.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, JULY 25.

The Liverpool cotton market closed steady. Surats dull.

Good Dhollera	3 1-16

The Manchester Market has been steady.

2½ per cent. Consols	101 5/8
3 per cent. Rentes	100⅝
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	108½
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	55¼
Bar Silver	28 13-16

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

JULY 26.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

AFRICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

AMERICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Teneriffe, perfect Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.

Cable, Sierra Leone-Accra interrupted. Telegrams for places south of Accra can be sent only via Aden and Zanzibar.

Madagascar and Reunion mail closes at Zanzibar at noon on Monday the 30th instant.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, JULY 25.

10 p.m.	83·3

THURSDAY, JULY 26.

6 a.m.	79·6
10 a.m.	82·6
2 p.m.	84·3
4 p.m.	82·9

NEWS OF THE DAY.

WITH the amount of rain that has fallen in Kulu and Kangra it is not wonderful that all the bridges between Dharmsala and Baijnath should have been broken. The daks are hauled across the breaks on ropes; travellers and traffic get along the best way they can. Most of the streams are fordable at some time of the day. The Binu at Baijnath, is not, being crossed by a *mussak* ferry, a thing that the oldest inhabitant can't remember having happened before. Both in Kangra and in Kulu the engineers will have their hands pretty full in the cold weather in road and bridge mending. In the Upper Kulu Valley nothing can be done till after the rains, save maintaining the pugdandi and foot-bridge over the Fuglati, which has been repaired, and is again open for traffic, but until the Beas finally falls, it will be impossible to do anything in the way of restoring the road on the right bank, that is supposing any of the old road is left to restore, which cannot be known with any certainty till September. The Akwareh bridge, however, is under repair, and will, after all, be again practicable by the end of the month.

WE hear from Pind Dadan Khan on the 17th that heavy rain had fallen there for more than sixteen hours. The down-mail arrived about five hours late. Several houses have fallen down in the city and a flood was expected.

APROPOS of the recent attempted derailment of a train at Amritsar, the Railway police inquiries being inconclusive, Mr. Warburton has ordered a further and more searching investigation to be instituted with the view of arriving, if possible, at a definite conclusion.

THE recent heavy rains at Amritsar have caused a great deal of damage to house property in the station. The verandah of the house occupied by the Civil Surgeon collapsed during a heavy shower. Out-offices of several houses are a perfect wreck. The escapement drainage channel is flowing brimfull.

ON the 19th, people at Jhelum were concerned to notice the water in the Jhelum river beginning to flow of a darkish colour owing to some new flood up stream.

THE Ghan nulla, which runs near the Sailla village, in the south of the Jhelum cantonment, was in full flood for twelve hours on the 18th instant; hence the travellers had to wait on its bank for a considerable time. Like the Mole in England this hill stream is curious in that it goes under ground for a few miles and re-appears.

THE Beas, for five days, kept steadily a good three feet above its usual summer level, and an enormous quantity of snow water went down. It then began falling slowly, but steadily, which is satisfactory as showing that the greater part of the snows has melted, and unless there should be abnormally heavy rain on the upper waters, there is but little danger of another heavy flood, July being the flood month *par excellence*. The river water is as clear again as it ever is in the rains, and the fish have re-appeared, having come back from the various tributary streams in which they had taken refuge.

No further particulars have been received regarding the reported loss of life and sheep, up the Solung Valley, but the locality of the accident is placed right under the watershed between Kulu, Chota Bhagal, and Lahoul, a most out-of-the-way spot, far beyond the beat of any village chowkidar, who would hardly trouble to report the death of any number of sheep, unless human lives were lost as well, and this, for very obvious reasons, is by no means peculiar to Kulu.

A FEARFUL tale, says the Lahore paper is narrated to us—whether it is accurate we more than doubt—by a B. A., at Lahore, of the further developments of the Homeric struggle between the meat-eating and the vegetarian (or "grass-eating") parties in the Arya Samaj. He writes:—"A sad occurrence took place on the morning of the 13th instant of this month. On the aforesaid morning anyone passing by the premises of the College could hear the smart snip-snap sound of canes followed by the heart-rending shrieks and cries of some thirty students. One within the premises could see how, continually for two hours or so, a fresh demand was made for a new cane." This harrowing scene was, according to our correspondent, the result of the refusal of some students to abandon their dietetic views! Some of the students were, he says, "more babes" and "mother's fondlings" (!); and he entreats the public to "Rise up! Rise up! and take up the cause of these poor Weeping Souls!"

ON the lonesome road in the Bolan Pass, says the frontier paper, it is a common occurrence for Pathan coolies on their way home with their winter's earnings to be robbed and murdered. The fashionable way is to batter in their head with stones—awords are seldom used. This is a commentary on this armed, untrained, undisciplined rabble—the levies—which is under no strict European supervision. In fact, the only guarantee we have of their good conduct is the assumption that if we pay villains to keep the peace they will be orderly themselves. The fact that men got their heads battered in with stones is no evidence that the perpetrators were not in possession of swords. If they used their swords too freely it would lead to suspicion, whereas if the business is done in a rough manner with stones it is then capable of being put down to others. If there was no crime there would be no cause for the existence of this armed rabble, and hence it is probable that they make crime. If a levy has a horse he gets Rs. 25 a month, and if no horse he gets Rs. 10 a month. The time has come for a very careful enquiry being made into the levy system, and if necessary for abolishing it. Why this very irregular force working side by side with a regular police force with an efficient staff of European supervision? The system is a bribe on crime and corruption.

ABOUT one o'clock, on the morning of 8th instant, a respectable Peshawari Pathan contractor, on the Muskhaff-Bolan State Railway, named Mir Aslam, when on his way from Dozan to Quetta, to get a cheque cashed, was attacked by a gang of levies on a lonesome part of the road—it is all lonesome. He and three other men were in the tum-tum. The driver bolted. Two of the others got slashed with swords, and Mir Aslam, using his revolver, wounded two of the levies with it. The rest of the levies ran when they smelt powder; but Mir Aslam courageously arrested the wounded levies, brought them along, and gave them in charge in Quetta. On the same night there was a man killed—name unknown—on the same road. His skull was battered in with stones. We are not aware that his murderers have yet been traced, but, of course, the levies are in pursuit of them.

IT is stated that one of the main objects of the new rules on the appointment of Cantonment Magistrates is to give more officers an opportunity of gaining experience in important cantonments, in order that they may qualify for the Judge Advocate-General's Department. In reply to certain objections on the part of local administrations, the Government of India disclaims "any wish to waste local knowledge and experience," by frequent transfers from one part of India to another. Under ordinary circumstances an officer of even five years' experience, in charge of an important cantonment, will not be transferred to another province, and of officers of less than five years' experience, who have acquired a considerable knowledge of the laws, language, and customs of the district in which they are serving, will not ordinarily be moved, nor does the Government of India propose to transfer any officers without consulting the local Governments concerned. These concessions apparently meet all the objections advanced by Provincial administrations.

SIR CHARLES CROSTHWAITE was too indisposed to preside at the meeting of the local Legislative Council at Lucknow, on Monday. According to arrangements Sir Charles was to leave for Naini Tal on Tuesday, the departure being private. His Honor's indisposition has somewhat abbreviated his programme.

REPORTS from the distressed area in the Central Provinces show that the number of persons on relief-works in Saugor has risen to over 10,300, and in Damoh to about 2,300. The rainfall is in excess in both districts, and the sowings of millet have been seriously impeded; but on the other hand the fall has been suitable for rice. The prices of food-grains are stationary.

THE East Indian Railway Co.'s earnings, for the week ended 14th July, were Rs.8,72,441. Corresponding week last year, Rs. 7,73,999. Increase, Rs. 98,442. Miles open, week ended 14th July, 1894, 1,659. Corresponding week last year, 1,6104. Increase, 484. Per mile open, week ended 14th July, 1894, Rs. 526. Corresponding week last year, Rs. 481. Increase, Rs. 45. Earnings from 1st July, 1894, to 14th July, 1894, Rs. 17,75,498. From 1st July, 1893, to 14th July, 1893, Rs.16,62,074. Increase, Rs. 1,13,424.

THE post of Political Officer in Chitral is to be made a permanent one—a necessary corollary of the Kabul treaty, under which the limits of British and Afghan influence were laid down. Chitral more than any other of the protected States needs the presence of an officer within its boundaries; for, three years ago, a Russian detachment from the Oxus Valley ventured across the Hindu Kush into the territory belonging to the Mehtar.

THE Secretary of State has decided that an officer who is allowed to reckon time on half-pay as service for promotion shall not be promoted until after his restoration to full-pay, but his promotion will bear the date on which he completed the qualifying service required under the regulations for such promotion. The antedate, however, will not carry any arrears of half-pay or full-pay at the higher rate. This decision is in accordance with the practice of the British Army in this respect.

IT is understood that the new rules in connection with compensation allowance were recently discussed by the Governor-General-in-Council. It is not improbable that officers hereafter appointed in India will not be granted compensation, but the grant will not be withdrawn from those who already receive it.

ON the approaching return of Sir Power Palmer to Allahabad, after he has restored the command of the Punjab Frontier Force into the hands of General Lockhart, Brigadier-General Evans, who has been acting for General Palmer, goes to take command of Fyzabad as Colonel-on-the-Staff.

THE question of the succession to Mr. Nesfield in the Directorship of Public Instruction is not yet absolutely settled; but the Government of the N.-W. Provinces has applied for the services of Mr. T. C. Lewis, of the Punjab Educational Department, with a view to conferring the appointment upon him.

THE Council of the Rampur State have just been disposing of an appeal sent up by the Gurkha prisoners who were concerned in the murderous riot of May last, and who have been lately sentenced by the Sessions Court to various degrees of punishment for their share therein. It will be remembered that a party of some fifteen men of the corps, headed by two disaffected non-commissioned officers who had fostered the opposition faction, went to the Commandant's quarters, attempted to murder him, and then to burn down his house, and that in the tumult which ensued several lives were lost. The prompt arrival of the Nawab's Imperial Service Cavalry on the scene checked the fight, and the mutineers were arrested. Eleven were eventually sent up to the Sessions Court. The principal offender, Jamadar Dhan Singh, has been sentenced to death for murder, and Subadar Harak Singh to transportation for life. Six men were sentenced by the Sessions Court to seven years' imprisonment for abetment of murder or attempt at murder, and two were acquitted. The Council has confirmed the sentences, acquitting one man only. The sentences will, therefore, come into effect, as there is no further appeal, unless, indeed, the Political Agent should deem it necessary to call for the records of the case to send up to the Government of India—a power which is understood to be reserved for cases in which there appears to be some distinct ground for interference.

IN connection with "Our Young Barbarians at Play," there is an interesting passage in one of Mr. Ruskin's college letters. "Nothing new at Oxford," he writes, "except a Christ Church man's making the Proctor feel the value of pence by taking him 480 halfpence by way of a sovereign fine, and remarking to him, as he let go the handkerchief which contained them, that he'd no doubt he would find them all right, if he'd pick them up. This has been done once before, but, by all accounts, not so effectively."

PITLOCHRY, where Mr. Gladstone is staying, is one of the most popular health resorts in Scotland. It is situated 350ft. above the level of the sea, in the valley of the Tummel, about twenty-seven miles from Perth. Its fame seems to be of no mushroom growth, for an old writer says:—"He who can command, or borrow, or steal an hour from time will be unpardonable if he does not linger at Pitlochry." The hotel, one wing of which has been allotted to Mr. Gladstone, is said to be one of the largest and best appointed in the Highlands, and commands splendid views on all sides. When Mr. Gladstone was at Pitlochry, on a former occasion, a deputation presented him with a rug and Mrs. Gladstone with a plaid. Mr. Gladstone then expressed the hope that he would be able to come back to Pitlochry and spend a week, Mrs. Gladstone adding, "Yes, a month." It may be mentioned that the proprietor of the hotel is an ardent political admirer of the ex-Premier.

DR. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES is reported to have said recently *apropos* of his autobiography:—"I work at the memoirs an hour or two each day, and am making satisfactory progress. This is, I have about one-half completed of all I shall write. Then I shall place the manuscript in the hands of my publishers, and they will keep it in their safe until I shall have passed away. My belief has always been that a man's memoirs should be distinctly posthumous, and I shall carry out that belief in my own case."

THE Bishops are pulling themselves together on the subject of the Welsh Disestablishment Bill. The Bishop of London, for instance, spoke in quite the right vein at the Mansion House. He asserted that if the Church were disestablished and disendowed she would still remain the Church of England. (Cheers.) If no resources were left to her, her bishops and her clergy would go on doing their work as far as it was possible for it to be done. (Cheers.) If it should be in the counsels of God's providence that the Bishopric of London should be stripped of all endowments, he did not intend to admit that he would have ceased to be Bishop of London; poor or wealthy, the bishop and clergy of this diocese would go on preaching the Gospel to be poor.

THERE is trouble in Munich over a painting belonging to the "prehistoric peep" school, with some aspects of which Mr. Reed is at present making us familiar in the pages of *Punch*. Professor Hackel, who lately celebrated his sixtieth birthday, has been for very many years one of the chief exponents of Evolution in Germany. As a special memento of this portion of his life's work, a painting was dedicated to him by Gabriel Max. In it the artist depicts a much earlier state of society than that portrayed by Mr. Reed, and there is certainly no suspicion of humour in his purpose. The picture represents the manners of Pliocene man, the supposed link between the ape and present day humanity. The women members of the Pliocene family are shown crawling on all fours on the ground with their children at their breasts, while the lords of creation lean leisurely against some trees in the background. The Munich clergy think the painting too pre-historic, and they have just held a very heated discussion with the view of having the sale of photographic copies prohibited. Notwithstanding this opposition, however, there appears to be little doubt that the original will, in due course, reach its destined place on the walls of the Munich gallery.

THE theft reported from Germany of hundreds of Lenbach's sketches and drawings is rather calculated to disturb the security in which artists have hitherto lived. For it has generally been assumed that the difficulty of finding a market for stolen paintings is, on the whole, the best guarantee that they will not be stolen. But in this case the thief, or thieves, appear to have disposed of the paintings at high prices, and considerable traffic in them is reported to have taken place before the theft was discovered. This points to some defect in German detective arrangements.

THE RECENT FLOODS IN THE BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

THE floods have now subsided in all parts of the Bombay Presidency, and the work of repairing the breaches on the railway line is being carried on as expeditiously as possible. Through traffic on the Thull Ghats will, it is expected, be possible by Saturday. From enquiries made at the G. I. P. Railway offices, we learn that, though close upon four thousand coolies have been engaged in repairing the line on the Ghats, the showers of rain, which continue there greatly impede the work of removing the blocks from the tunnel openings and clearing the line. The complete restoration of the Mussie bridge will take another fortnight, during which time the Jubbulpore and Nagpore mails will continue to run *viâ* Dhond and Munmar. So large a number of coolies are at work on the Ghats that sickness is sure to be prevalent in the uncertain weather, and to provide for this contingency medical officers have been sent there, and a large medical store is provided. Until the bridge is ready for traffic and through communication established the present passengers and luggage will be conveyed across the river over a temporary suspension bridge, erected to meet the emergency of the occasion.

On the B. B. & C. I. Railway line through communication has not yet been restored, and passengers, mails, and luggage are being transhipped across the Dhadhar bridge in boats. The breaches at Kharagola and Bareji are repaired.

We have received the following letter from the office of the acting Agent of the B. B. & C. I. Company:—

"The second breach, near Ferozepore, on the Rewari-Ferozepore Railway, and the breach on the Patri (Kharaghora) Branch, between Viramgaum and Jhond were repaired yesterday the 25th July. At the other breaks on this Company's system, the work of restoration is being vigorously carried out.

A portion of the wall of a house, at Cooper Street, fell down, on Wednesday evening, causing a damage to the extent of Rs. 200. The back wall of a three-storeyed house, at Duncan Road, collapsed on the same night in consequence of the foundation having been undermined by the late heavy rain. The damage is estimated at Rs. 300. There was very little rain in Bombay yesterday.

MILITARY NEWS.

MAJORS E. A. W. S. GROVE and C. W. H. Evans, West Kent Regiment, exchange Battalions.

ON return from leave the Rev. A. York Browne will act as Chaplain of Steamer Point, Aden.

LIEUTENANT C. P. A. HULL, Scots Fusiliers, has qualified for the appointment of acting Paymaster.

LIEUTENANT T. J. FLINTER, Inspector of Army Schools, proceeds home on transfer to the Home establishment.

CAPTAIN A. F. COOPER, Welsh Fusiliers, proceeds home immediately on appointment as Adjutant of the 4th Battalion.

MAJOR P. T. BUSTON, B. E., Military Works Department, is transferred from the Meerut to the Rawal Pindi Command.

SURGEON-MAJOR H. A. H. CHARLETON and Surgeon-Captain J. J. C. Watson, Medical Staff, remain at home on extended leave till 19th and 1st November next, respectively.

LIEUTENANT W. D. VILLIERS-STUART, Unattached List, will on arrival be posted to the 2nd Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders for the year's duty preparatory to joining the Staff Corps.

LIEUT.-COL. W. A. WETHERALL, and Major H. Hay, (each of the Indian Staff Corps) and Sub-Conductor I. J. McDonald, Public Works Department, have been permitted by the Secretary of State to return to duty.

CAPTAIN F. H. B. CONNOR, Royal Irish Fusiliers, is posted to the 1st Battalion (but he remains with the 2nd Battalion till next trooping season) and Major T. W. C. Leathem, Gloucestershire Regiment, to the 2nd Battalion.

LIEUT. W. W. CHITTY, Adjutant of the 19th Bombay Infantry, has been granted five months' leave on medical certificate. A year's leave on private affairs has been granted to Capt. H. Welman, Wing Commander, 13th Bombay Infantry.

THE undermentioned have leave of absence—*In India*—Lieutenant-Colonel A. W. Jameson, 7th Bengal Infantry, for 62 days; Captain G. P. Ranken, District Recruiting Officer, Peshawar, for 60 days.—*Out of India*—Colonel E. R. Ellis, Deputy Quartermaster-General Captain K. P. Burne, District Recruiting Officer, Captain A. R. Barrett, 2-5 Gurkhas for 90 days; Captain E. Pollock, Royal Artillery, for 9 months; Lieutenant G. Bruce, Norfolk Regiment, Lieutenant J. Campbell, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, for 6 months; Lieutenant E. B. Wilson, 5th Lancers, for 3 months.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Oriental, Captain L. H. Moule, will sail to-day, for London and Brindisi, with the English Mails and the following passengers:—

FOR LONDON.

Adams, Mrs K
Alexander, Mr E T
Badgley, Maj J
Birch, Captain
Brandreth, Lieut E
Brown, Mr R E
Brown Wade, Mr
Benford, Mr and Mrs C
Bowie, Col W M
Bowden, Mr and Mrs H J A
Buck, Sir E
Blyth, Capt F A
Calman, Mr D
Campbell, Col D M
Campbell, Col T E
Caspirez, Mr
Campbell, Lieut J
Cotton, Mr and Mrs G
Cowper, Col and Mrs
Davies, Rev
Denman, Mr J
Drew, Mr W
Duncan, Mr and Mrs and child
Davis, Mr C A W
Gallaway, Mr R
Hadding, Mrs
Harman, Mr H M
Harris, Mr E B
Henriques, Major G
Hobday, Major
Holland, Mr D S
Hoffman, Mr
Hobday, Col F F
Hoskyn, Major C R
Hyhes, Mr J G
Haworth, Lieut
Henderson, Mr G R
Jacob, Col S S
Jones, Col and Mrs W H D, 2 infants and nurse
Kingscote, Lieut R A F
Leslie, Capt A E
Leggatt, Mr C A
Lowis, Mr
Lyon, Mr P C
Little, Mr G W
Mackenzie, Mr T D
Macdonald, Mrs C W
Mallet, Mr
Maskie, Mr C H
McDowell, Mr E H
Moriarty, Dr
Moberley, Lieut T S
Moore, Mrs A M
Muir Frank, Mr
Nichols, Mr
Nikombe, Rev and Mrs M
O'Callaghan, Mr F L
Osthout, Mr and 3 daughters
Rice, Rev E
Robertson, Mr G R
Shepherd, Mr J
Stevenson, Rev
Stotherd, Mr C E
Smith, Mr C A
Symes, Mr W
Seabrook, Mr
Sullivan, Capt R E
Symons, Mrs
Seagrim, Mr
Vere Maj B
Way, Mr T A H
Ward, Capt and Mrs B, infant and ayah
Wetherill, Mr
Wright, Mr W B
Wyndham, Lieut T R

FOR BRINDISI.

Attfield, Mr S S
Blakeney, Capt W E A
Briggs, Surg-Major H B
Blundell-Hollinghead-Blundell Maj-Genl R
Cogswell, Mr J
Conran, Capt W L
Ellis, Col E A
Ewart, Lieut R H
Hendley, Surg-Capt
Hill, Mr A
Keighley, Col
Knox, Lieut R F
Lymot, Mr and Mrs
Nun, Capt T
Partridge, Mr J G D
Partridge, Mr W R
Pears, Major T E
Pelle, Babington Lieut-Col and Mrs
Radcliffe, Capt E A
Roberts, Lieut M B
Russell, Mr J W
Simpson Mr R A
Skinner Mr T A E
Suleman Mr S J
Thomson, Surg-Capt F D
Trotter, Cor P D
Wace, Col R, R A
Walsh, Mr P
Windsor, Mr S

FOR GIBRALTAR.—Barboza, Mrs.

FOR ADEN.—Vidal, Capt L H.

THE following passages have been engaged:—

Per s s Siam, Captain H Weighell, 3rd August, 1894.
For London—Mr W H L Impey; Capt A Barrett; Lieut Hon C J Bruce; Mr. Pope; Mr O S Parson; Major Lightfoot; Mr A Collins; and Mr L Davidson.
For Brindisi—Mr J B Rawlins; Major J W Hogge; Mr T W and Mrs Arnold.

Per s s Shannon, Captain E Crew, 10th August, 1894.
For London—Col J E Sandeman; Surg-Col J McConaghy; Mr W Egerton; Mr H S Lawrence; Mrs Spencers, child, inft and ayah; Mr C H Hill; Mrs Thompson; Master Kirkpatrick; Mr Kirkpatrick; Mrs Sharpe; Mr E M F Dillon; Mr T F Duthie; Dr E Bevill; Miss Mansell; Mr F C O Beaman; Mr S T Rice; Mr A Campbell; Mr H Heaton; and Mr H Hastings.
For Brindisi—Mr E R Henry; Lieut J R Hill; Mr R F Young; Capt Leyburn; Mr T Sturrock; Mr H S Bill; Mr S A Bourdillon; Mr A Forbes; Mr A. H. L Fraser; Miss Lutgard; Mr R. Hill; Dr Miss Grimleth; Mrs Yarrett and child; Mr E C Lugard; and Mr J G D Partridge.

Per s s Assam, Captain T Leigh, 17th August, 1894.
For London—Mr H A Acworth; Major J Burn Murdock; Mr G C Walker; Capt G Davidson; Mr H N Wright; Mr and Mrs E F Barlow; and Lieut H Brook.

Per s s Hydaspes, Captain J L Parfitt, 24th August, 1894.
For Brindisi—Lieut H T Thacker.

Per s s Clyde, Captain C F Preston, 31st August, 1894.
For London—Major W S Hewett; and Mr A H Gunter.

Per s s Carthage, Captain M de Horne, 7th September, 1894.
For London—Mr A Phillip; Col and Mrs R D Morris; Mr S R P Mackieson; Mr and Mrs A G Harrison and 2 children.

Per s s Thames, Captain W A Seaton, 14th Sept. 1894.
For London—Hon Mr Justice and Mrs Gordon.

Per s s Peninsular, Captain A Loggin, 22nd Sept 1894.
For London—Mr Suthe land; Mr and Mrs R T Crosthwaite, child and Miss Crosthwaite.

Per s s Clyde, Captain C F Preston, 29th Sept 1894.
For Brindisi—H F S Ramsdon.

Per s s Sutlej, Captain W D Worcester, 6th October 1894.
For London—Mr and Mrs G L Towers.

Per s s Thames, Captain W A Seaton, 13th October 1894.
For London—Miss Strahan.

Per s s Oriental, Captain S Moule, 20th October 1894.
For London—Misses M N and N Nesfield, and Mr Nesfield.
For Malta—Lieut A Carnana.

BOMBAY JOINT STOCK COMPANIES.

THE Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, Bombay, has forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government, his report of the working of the Indian Companies Act (1882) in the Bombay Presidency in the year ending March 31st last:—

The number of documents of all descriptions registered during the year under report was 656 against 615 in the year preceding, showing an increase of 41. The number 656 includes the Memoranda and Articles of Associations of the 30 Companies and 2 Societies newly registered, as also 25 Returns received under section 4 of Act XXI of 1860.

From the above statement it will be observed that the number has increased under five heads and decreased under three. The net increase of 41 in the number of documents can be accounted for partly by the formation and registration of a larger number of new companies in the year under report than was the case in the preceding year, and partly to the registration of a greater number of miscellaneous documents in 1893-94 as compared with the previous year, the number under this head having risen from 21 to 48.

The following Companies were registered during the year under report and are shown here in the chronological order of their registration:—

Karachi Steam Lighterage Company, Limited.
Ahmedabad Vehepar Ootejak Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Baola Vehepar Ootejak Ginning Company, Limited.
Poona Mercantile Bank, Limited.
Umiaji Ginning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Sirdars Carbonic Acid Inventions Syndicate Company, Limited.
Ahmedabad Dyeing and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Pattan Ginning, Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Silk and Cotton Thread Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Bagalkot Ginning and Pressing Company, Limited.
Hitteshhu Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Aryodaya Ginning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Amnagar Cotton Ginning Company, Limited.
Nandurbar Press Company, Limited.
Madhavji Dharamsey Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Ahmedabad Trading Company, Limited.
Bombay Cotton Exchange Company, Limited.
Gujarat Mercantile Association, Limited.
Ahmedabad Metal Factory Company, Limited.
Gujarat Navigation Company, Limited.
Whittle Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Mahuwa Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Limdi Ginning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Rajanagar Trading Company, Limited.
Bhankoda Ginning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Shri Bharat Janamanaranjana Natak Mandali, Limited.
Victoria Flour Mills and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Mysore Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited.
Deccan Pressing and Ginning Company, Limited.
Government Security Friend-in-Need Company, Limited.

Of the above 30 companies 2 are Banking, 8 Trading, 17 Mills and Presses, and 3 others. Madhowji Dharamsi Manufacturing Company, Limited, was started in place of Jadhowji Raghowji Manufacturing Company, Limited, which went into liquidation during the year 1893-94. The Gujarat Mercantile Association, Limited, carried on business only for 4 months and 11 days after its registration on 3rd November, 1893, and transferred its concern to the Ahmedabad Metal Factory Company, Limited, which was also registered on the same date as the former. The Whittle Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited, was started in place of the two companies, viz., Albert Edward Mills and Alfred Manufacturing Company, which went into liquidation in the year under report.

At the close of the official year 1893-94 there were 256 companies carrying on business (including those newly registered) against 239 in 1892-93, 13 companies went into liquidation, including the Gujarat Mercantile Association, Limited, which was registered on 3rd November 1893 and which went into liquidation on 14th March, 1894. Eleven companies which were under liquidation were finally dissolved during the year under report.

Only two companies have increased their nominal capital in 1893-94, viz., Gadag Mahaluxumi Pressing and Ginning Company, Limited, from Rs. 1,25,000 to Rs. 1,60,000, and Sirdars carbonic Acid Inventions Syndicate Company, Limited, from Rs. 1,00,000 to Rs. 2,00,000,

The following table shows the nature of business of the several Companies with their nominal and paid-up capitals. Paid-up capitals of some of the Companies newly registered have not been shown as the summaries of capitals and lists of shareholders of the Companies had not been received till the close of the year 1893-94:—

Nature of business of Companies.	No. of Co.'s	Nominal Capital.	Paid-up Capital.
		Rs.	Rs.
Banking Loan and Insurance	12	31,75,000	3,30,697
Do. ...New	2	2,00,000	14,160
Trading	40	1,87,19,500	1,45,38,680
Do. ...New	8	8,65,600	35,000
Mills and Presses	156	9,90,71,055	8,39,21,878
Do. do. ...New	17	44,15,000	....
Planting	3	1,10,000	69,790
Mining and Quarrying	1	8,82,000	8,69,379
Ice Manufacture	4	12,27,500	9,07,955
Others	10	74,05,000	72,12,100
Do. ...New	3	2,50,000	....
Total	256	13,63,20,655	10,79,02,639

I am glad to observe that the provisions of the Indian Companies Act VI of 1882 regarding the submission of the annual returns have been properly attended to by almost all the companies.

BOMBAY UNIVERSITY NOTIFICATIONS.

THE Karsandas Mulji Prize.—(Books of the value of Rs. 100.) The following subject has been selected by the Syndicate for the competitive essays for the above prize in 1895:—The Position of Women in Ancient India, *i. e.*, India before the Mahomedan Conquest, being an Examination of the Causes which led to the Successive Changes in the Status and Dignity and Rights of Women in Vedic, Epic, and Puranic Times."

The Dosabhoy Hormusjee Cama Prize.—(Books of the value of Rs. 200.) The following subject has been selected by the Syndicate for competitive essays for the above prize in 1895:—The Causes and Types of the different Fevers prevalent in Bombay, especially with Reference to the Present Drainage of the City, and their Treatment."

The Ashburner Prize.—(Rs. 120, or books of the like value.) The following subject has been selected by the Syndicate for competitive essays for the above prize in 1895:—History of the Efforts to introduce European Manufactures or Manufactures according to European Processes into India, and the Causes of their Success or Failure."

The Sir George LeGrand Jacob Prize.—(Books worth the year's interest of the endowment.) The following subject has been selected by the Syndicate for competitive essays for the above prize in 1895:—History and Development of the Post Office in India and the Advantages conferred by it on the Indian People."

POLO.

THERE will be a game to-day, at 5 p.m. (weather permitting):—

COLOURS.		WHITES.
Provost		Griffith
Graham		Symes
Fairclough		Raymond
Birkett		Proctor
Provost		Griffith
Graham		Proctor
Fairclough		Ellison
Enthoven		Knight
Provost		Griffith
Graham		Proctor
Fairclough		Symes
Birkett		Mallison
Prevost		Graham
Raymond		Fairclough
Enthoven		Knight
Francis		Birkett

There will be a fifth round if enough ponies are available.

IT appears from a letter in the *Times* that the nature of the recent rows at Christ Church was much as Mr. Selby-Bigge hints in his article in the *Nineteenth Century*. "It is hard to imagine," writes Mr. Ronald McNeill, "how any old house man can fail to share the indignation, which so far as I could learn during a recent visit to Oxford, is almost universally felt by the present undergraduates of Christ Church against the individuals who deliberately introduced outsiders for the express purpose of wrecking the house." Therein opinion generally will support that of the majority of "house men." But, of course, this does not meet the point of the parents and guardians who complain that the individuals selected for punishment were not the individuals who wrecked or who introduced the wreckers.

SIR W. HUNTER ON INDIAN AFFAIRS.

MR. PUNCH, in the frontispiece to his Volume CVI, last week, depicts India as marching by the side of Britannia and beating a tambourine in honour of the lady on the lion. The sketch is, unfortunately, a fancy one. During the past month military precautions have been taken in Northern India on a scale unknown since the country passed to the Crown. In one province the movements of the troops were permitted to appear in detail in the newspapers, doubtless with the humane purpose of making the hopelessness of any attempt at disturbance apparent to all concerned. In another province the strength of the military police had been increased, reser

the sectarian strife which is everywhere in the air. They complain that their fullest rights have been outraged by the Hindus at Buddha Gaya, in Bengal. Their chief representative, accompanied by the high priest of Japan, made a solemn journey to Buddha Gaya for the purpose of setting up in its ancient temple a sacred image of Buddha. The image is one of the most famous in existence, and is said to be 700 years old. It had been brought with much pomp and ceremony from Japan as a sort of international offering. When it was about to be erected in the conjoint parent temple of the Buddhist and Hindu faiths, the local custodian interfered, and enforced his refusal by means of a mob reported to consist of "several thousand men." "If the Buddhists had insisted upon their rights," says their principal organ in India, "there would have been a sanguinary riot." Meanwhile, the insult to the holy image of the Lord Buddha, brought from beyond the seas, is a grave scandal, and the parties, as usual, have referred to the British authorities to settle their religious differences. The *Hindu Patriot* sums up the state of public feeling in the words, "The Indian atmosphere seems to be surcharged with religious dissension."—*Times*.

THE NATIVE PRESS.

THE JUSTICE TELANG MEMORIAL.

THE "Gujerati" is glad the Telang memorial fund committee have not followed the example of the Bengalee memorial fund committee and silently voted for a monumental bust or a bronze statue. The proceedings of the meeting held on Friday last were opened in a very happy speech by the Hon. Mr. Justice Jardine, and three rival schemes for perpetuating Mr. Telang's name were placed before the Committee by other speakers. Government would be very glad to accept Mr. Ranade's proposal to build a Telang Hall for students of the Elphinstone College. There is, however, no special reason why the fund should be devoted to this object with a view to induce Government to do their duty. The other two rival proposals are to construct a decent examination Hall bearing Mr. Telang's name, or to found a Fellowship for the encouragement of research in special departments of study. Both of them have the merit of being of a more cosmopolitan character than the first. It may, however, be asked whether Rs. 23,000 will suffice for the construction of a spacious hall of durable materials. If we could be sure that the foundation of a Fellowship would result in some substantial good—because many people are doubtful if the Wilson Memorial Fund has been fruitfully employed—we would go in for this project. Good many prizes and medals remain uncompeted for, because young graduates do not find time to study the prescribed subjects. Older graduates are shut out from competition by the very terms of the donation. If, therefore, the fund can be employed to encourage older graduates to pursue some special branch of study with the prospect of being adequately rewarded, that would be an excellent idea to carry out. Now that the subject has been placed before the public, they will have ample time to think over it within the next fortnight and arrive at a satisfactory settlement, which will remind coming generations of the scholar, politician and judge, whose praises were once more deservedly reechoed this week.

CRIME IN BOMBAY.

The "Native Opinion" states:—Viewed from the standpoint of the number of persons convicted, we have reason to congratulate Mr. Vincent on the present efficiency of the police. Since the census of 1881, when the city population numbered 7,73,196, there has been an increase of a little over 31,000, and yet with this increase the number of detections and convictions average a high percentage—an argument against the necessity of the present increase for ordinary purposes. But the riots of August last afforded a strong handle to push through the new scheme, and the Government, which at one time declined to sanction it, now goes in for it; and we have a full-blown police department that promises to quell any future disturbance without the aid of the military. Be that as it may, the police with their increased strength must track members of the now notorious golden gang who have the audacity to ease innocent people of their valuable property. Now that the police have been strengthened, one may sanguinely look forward to a still further diminution of crime.

THE RECENT MOHURRUM FESTIVAL.

The "Indian Spectator" discourses:—The Mohurrum of the year has happily passed away without any noticeable breach of the peace in any part of the country. One Hindu holiday, that was Ashadhi Ekadashi, fell on the 8th day of the Moburrum; and it was feared that the palkhi-processions, that start in connection with it in many places, may lead to a collision and a renewal of the disgraceful scenes of the last year. But these fears have not been realized, and the authorities have everywhere grappled with the situation in a satisfactory manner, so far at least as peace was to be kept. We wish we could have also said that the two communities had shown that they had completely forgotten their past quarrels and resumed the amicable and friendly relations that usually exist between them. The North-West Provinces Government have alone testified to a reconciliation of the kind having taken place in the territories under their charge, and they have publicly thanked the leaders of the Hindus and the Mahomedans of the Province for having heartily co-operated with the authorities in promoting the growth of the old good feeling. We are sorry we do not seem to have attained the same consummation in our Presidency. There is yet something like an armed peace; and though there is not evident much of the fighting and law-breaking spirit, it seems to have been succeeded in the masses, not by the penitent desire to forget and be cordial friends again, but by the spirit to avoid and boycot each other. In Bombay this was seen to a certain extent in the diminution of the number of the taboots constructed and in that of the Hindus in the crowds of the last day's processions. It is considered by many that the local police did not do well in more or less looking with satisfaction on this feeling of distrust and aversion; though it must sensibly have helped them to preserve complete order during the days sacred to the memory of Hussan and Hussein. At Poona, a good deal of the ill-will and distrust of the kind have grown out of smothered discontent at the action of the authorities in connection with some attempts at rioting, that were recently made but happily nipped in the bud.

THE ORIENTAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

Commenting on the proceedings of a recent meeting of the company, the "Indian Spectator" says: The proceedings of the general meeting of the Oriental Life Assurance Company, convened to discuss the matter of Mr. McLauchlan Slater's pension, cannot either further the interests of the company or add to the reputation of our city. Is it a fact, as is fervently suspected by some, that Bombay is becoming more and more incapable of smoothly solving delicate questions? Be that as it may, we suppose it would not have been impossible, even to secure a total rejection of Mr. Slater's application for a pension, without the bustle, the confusion and the lawlessness, which prevailed at the meeting. We are not desirous of making light the strange irregularity discovered as regards Sir Jamsetji Jeejibhai's election as a director of the company at a time when the company's register did not show that he was a shareholder; though we trust it was only an irregularity, and not "a tampering with the register," as was alleged by one of the animated opposition-leaders of the day. Whether the appointment was made subsequently valid by the vote of the Board or not, the objection to Sir Jamsetji's taking the chair should, for the sake of courtesy and goodness, have been made before the respected Baronet actually took it. An intimation to the directors could have been given on any day previous to that on which the meeting was to take place, and Sir Jamsetji saved the necessity of leaving the chair after he had taken it. As it was, the meeting only discussed the question as to who was to be the chairman in his stead, and was eventually unable to come to any better decision than that it should be dissolved. The main question for a discussion of which grand preparations were made remained wholly untouched; and a good deal of talk was indulged in, which should have remained unsaid in the interests of the shareholders and the policy-holders themselves. Future trouble of the kind has, however, happily been averted by Mr. Slater's commendable resolve to withdraw altogether his application for a pension, until such time as the share and policy-holders become convinced that the affairs of the company are in a perfectly satisfactory condition, and that Mr. Slater's services are really such as to entitle him to a liberal provision for old age at the hands of people whom he has so well helped to make one for themselves.

The "Native Opinion" writes: It is, indeed, a matter of deep regret that the question of Mr. Slater's pension should have served to evoke so much bad feeling. Although Mr. Slater may not be deemed entitled to as much as he claimed, it must be admitted that he, by his past unique services as founder and manager, deserves handsomely of the share and policy-holders. But while we say this, we unhesitatingly hold that the management of the concern, which has assumed such tremendous proportions, ought to be above the faintest suspicion. It must never be lost sight of by the directors and the manager, that even accidental irregularities, such as those brought to light at the last meeting, ought to be scrupulously guarded against, for otherwise the confidence of the public in them cannot but be shaken. The institution has, through Mr. Slater's incessant exertions, become deservedly popular with the natives, for whom it has been founded, and, therefore, anything that brings discredit upon it, ought to receive immediate attention from the management. We trust nothing will happen in future, likely either to disquiet those whose interests are now at stake, or to deter those who may be desirous of profiting by the advantages the institution offers, from doing so.

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PARSEE MORALS.

A CORRESPONDENT writes:—Within the last three or four weeks a discussion has been going on in a leading Guzerati weekly, as to the best mode of checking the growing immoral practices among the Parsee community. It is suggested that a "midnight mission" should be established on a firm and sound basis, so as to persuade the erring women who are known to inhabit certain quarters of the town, to abandon their present course of life, and resume one of purity, earning their livelihood by honest labour befitting their sex. Another suggestion of a more drastic character has been put forward, namely, that the guilty be exposed so that social ostracism may follow. It was in times gone by a boast of the Parsees that there never was a public woman in the community; but now they have so much degenerated in their morals that about fifty women or, as some allege, nearly a hundred, pursue their occupation in the streets. In a population of nearly fifty thousand Parsees this number may not seem alarmingly high; but when it is remembered that there were none or very few in past years, the number counts for something; and it is apprehended may yet expand into larger proportions. As you remarked on Friday last, there have been several cases before the police magistrates which disclosed a lamentable state of affairs in that community. Here are some recent cases: There was a charge of assault against two or three Parsees which arose out of a scuffle in front of a bungalow occupied by a Parsee family. It was in evidence that persons other than Parsees were admitted into the house, for questionable purposes, and the Purdesi sepoy (a watchman) also deposed to men being allowed inside the house or refused admission according to directions received from the family. In another case a Mahomedan woman prosecuted a Parsee for her maintenance and that of her child, begotten of the defendant, and the disclosures made before the magistrate point the social character in a light anything but agreeable. A third case heard in the Court of Small Causes before Mr. R. M. Patel, in which a Parsee woman sued her Parsee "protector" for her monthly wages as agreed to by him in writing on a stamped paper, which he did not repudiate, but pleaded that as that agreement was for an immoral purpose, it could not be used in evidence in a court of law, and that it was null and void in consequence. In the foregoing suit the plaintiff was assisted by the friends and relatives of the wife of the defendant, who had deserted her, and that the plaintiff's costs had all been defrayed by them. Another case has just been decided by the Parsee Chief Matrimonial Court, in which a Parsee has obtained a decree for divorce from his wife on account of her infidelity. Mr. Hamilton has recently heard a case in which a wealthy Parsee, aged in years, had to seek the protection of the police court in turning out from his house three of his refractory sons who have been a source of continued trouble to him, and it is believed to be the first case of its kind among Parsees. In the High Court recently the same aged father was sued by one of the said three sons for the recovery of a large sum of money which the kind-hearted gentleman had promised to give for ornaments on the occasion of the son's wedding. Though the money was settled out of natural love and affection for the child, yet his conduct was so ungrateful and outrageous that the father would not part with his money unless compelled by the court. Legally he was held liable to pay the amount to the plaintiff. A young Parsee belonging to a highly respectable family recently eloped with a young Parsee married woman, but their whereabouts have not as yet been traced. By the introduction of the Parsee Matrimonial Act, the crime of bigamy has ceased, as it is laid down as a penal offence. And those who were disposed to incur this penalty had to seek a refuge in a neighbouring foreign State. But only a few weeks ago an instance of bigamy occurred in Bombay in which a Parsee married a second wife during the life-time of his first, the second casting off her first husband. What is still more strange is the fact that in this illegal process, two Parsee priests were found to officiate as "ministers" in uniting the couple in holy, or, rather, unholy, wedlock, contrary to the express provisions of the said Act. Mr. Bomanjee Byramjee Patel who has written volumes on the history of the Parsees from their advent into Hindustan up to the present time, has supplied some curious information to the *Rast Goftar*, regarding the former social character of the Parsees. So far back as A.D. 1778, the Honourable Sir William Hornby, Governor of Bombay, conferred on the Parsee Punchayet the power to beat with shoes those erring members of that community, who were found traducing the laws of society. Again, in 1787, the Honourable R. H. Badham authorised the Punchayet to administer justice in all social questions. Notwithstanding such powers which were exercised by them with the utmost rigour, there were cases of immorality registered in the Punchayet's diaries. A notable instance is mentioned in which in the year 1791 a woman was punished for her social transgressions with her head being shaved and her bangles broken, as a token of her becoming a widow. In 1819, when instances of continued inconstancy were brought to public notice, a notification was issued by the Punchayet, and criers were sent round to proclaim that no Parsee woman was to go out of her house before sunrise or after sunset. If, however, she had to go out on any emergent business she was to be accompanied by a trustworthy man and with a lighted lamp in hand. Corpse-bearers or menial servants were posted at different gates and sally-gates of the then existing ramparts to watch those who tried to evade these regulations, and to bring them to a place appointed for the purpose, when their cases were investigated by the Punchayet. On the 8th June, 1836, the late Mr. Framjee Cowasjee Banajee recorded a long and strongly worded minute setting forth the growing evils folllowed by women of his community and advising the Punchayet to adopt stringent measures for the suppression of the said evil; otherwise, the Parsees would have the humiliation within the space of twenty years to see females of their caste opening brothels such as those kept by Mahomedan and Hindu women, and husbands abandoning their wives and *vice versa*. In 1855, the Parsees found the necessity to obtain a special legislative enactment to regulate their marriage customs and inheritance. In 1871, two or three Parsee women had obtained licenses from the Contagious Diseases Act authorities, which had created so much uproar at the time. The *Rast* maintains that notwithstanding these glaring instances of immorality prevailing in by-gone days, yet in the present age the evil has assumed alarming proportions, and steps should be taken to prevent its further development.

INDIAN CROP REPORTS.

THE following is the first forecast of the Indigo Crop of the N.-W. P. and Oudh for 1894:—The area given in this forecast is obtained from Patwaris' papers and from the returns of the Canal Department. The area reported by Patwaris to be sown with indigo up to the middle of April is 2,71,374 acres; and that reported to be irrigated from Canals up to the end of May is 2,86,478 acres, as compared with 2,39,222 and 2,34,433 acres respectively in the corresponding period of the last year. The increase in the former area is 13 per cent., and in the latter 22 per cent. The increase in the area under indigo is probably due to the better prices realized in the last two years. The increase is noticeable in the districts of the Meerut and Agra Divisions. The following table compares the area of the present season with the area of the past year for each division. The germination of the seed is reported to have been good. Slight injury from hot winds and from insects is reported from the districts of Meerut, Bulandshahr, Aligarh, Farakhabad, Mainpuri, Budaun, Jaunpur, Ghazipur and Gorakhpur; while in Etawah and Cawnpore the damage caused is reported to be severe. On the whole the prospects are reported to be fair. The following figures represent the average condition of the indigo crop in the several divisions of the province in the two years.

CIVILISATION in Matabeleland is equal to supporting the Fourth Estate. The "Matabeleland News and Mining Record, Duly Registered as a Newspaper" is probably read with more interest by its own public than many more ambitious sixpenny weeklies. It does not aspire to Hoe machines, but is "graphed" in manuscript; an arrangement tending to healthy compression and a concise style. Advertisements of "bars" for the satisfaction of the thirsty are much in evidence, as readers of Nurse Blennerhasset's experiences in camp would expect; and one enterprising bar, we see, boasts a billiard-table.—The athletic young Briton and colonist is also to the fore. In the same number we read of the "Queen's Birthday Sports," a horseshoe course of a mile having been laid out right round the Fort. The new Inspector of Police at Victoria, Mr. C. Southey, is in three lines recorded to have jumped into a river swarming with crocodiles to pull out a drowning native. Some less pleasing incidents of camp life are recorded to point the moral that men leaving the camp after dusk had better not forget their revolvers.

LADY GERTRUDE STOCK writes: "I like 'Koko for the Hair' exceedingly, and prefer it to any I have ever used. My hair has certainly become thicker since I have used it, and does not come off as it did, and I say I find it very pleasant and quite free from all the sticky, nasty stuff found in most other washes."—This testimonial speaks for itself. No lady or gentleman should be without Koko. It is specially suited for a hot climate, being refreshing and cooling, it cleanses the head of dandruff.

THE TELANG MEMORIAL FUND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Permit me to make a few observations on the proposals brought forward in the meeting convened the other day, under the presidency of the Hon. Mr. Justice Jardine, as to the disposal of the sum of Rs. 30,000, subscribed towards the late Mr. Justice Telang's Memorial Fund. Mr. Justice Ranade's proposal does not bear telling altogether, inasmuch as it is wrought out and bottomed upon principles of sectarian bias. Dr. Mackichan's proposal, however, to do it full justice, is a reasonable one, the bulk of the fund as it now stands being duly taken into consideration. But from the commencement up to now unfortunately an idea of utilizing the memorial fund towards female education has not struck to one at least of those that take interest in the Telang memorial. Nobody will deny that the want of female education must be ranked first in the list of our wants, considering the proportion of progress made by us or at least movements tending to progress made by us towards removing our other wants in comparison to this want. The subject of female education which requires our foremost notice has hitherto been neglected by us, and if at all any reference is made to it, it is in an essay for the university prize or by a platform speaker in an eloquent speech full of rhetoric when a question of the age of consent bill or the evil consequences resulting from the foolish superstitions of our women, &c., is discussed; but nothing beyond this is done to contribute towards female education. Female education, our leading men of Bombay say, is very badly required, but it is a matter of regret to see that this saying is confined to mere words and is not led to acting. In short, it has been a subject of mere leisure hour talk. As female education is not the topic of this letter I would return to the subject at issue. In the meeting convened under the presidency of H. E. Lord Harris had but one speaker made a suggestion to the effect that the Telang Memorial Fund be applied to a female high school called after his name the fund would have made rapid progress, and by this time would have amounted to much more than what it is now. I am afraid that the suggestion made in the said meeting that the fund had better be applied to residential quarters to the Elphinstone College students may, perhaps, be the real cause to mar the prospects of the growth of the fund. I do not mean to say that residential quarters are not required. What I say is that this want can be removed otherwise as done in the case of the Deccan College. If expression were given to the idea of a female high school in the said meeting by any of the speakers the sympathy of the general public (men connected with the University as well as those that are not connected with the University) towards female education together with the estimation in which the late Mr. Justice Telang was held would have effectively contributed towards the rapid increase of the fund.

Even now this proposal can be considered; but in the event of its falling through I would suggest another mode of disposing of the fund, viz., that the University should every year call for two essays, one on political economy and the other on philosophy; that the competition should be open to M. A.s, or men of exceptional abilities in these branches, that but not connected with the University; and that the University after retaining funds (out of the interest drawn on the Rs. 30,000 or whatever that sum may come to) to meet the cost of printing, &c., of some two or three thousand copies for circulation of the best essay on each of the said subjects award the remaining sum as a prize to the person whose essay is found best. As these two proposals appear to me to be fair, I have written this letter for the information of all concerned in the Telang Memorial Fund.—Yours, &c.,

Bombay, July 26. S. G. K.

BOMBAY SEASON REPORTS.

THE following Season Reports, for the week ending 24th July, were published in yesterday's "Bombay Government Gazette."

Karachi.—Rain at Thano Bula Khan 5 inches 10 cents, average of 11 other stations 1 inch 41 cents. River at Kotri on 22nd, 20 feet 9 inches against 20 feet 3 inches on same date last year. Transplantation of rice seedlings and charkhi sowings progressing. Standing crops flourishing. Agricultural stock in fair condition.

Shikarpur.—River 16 feet 2 inches against 15 feet on same date last year. Rain in five talukas, average 19 cents. Fodder sufficient. No fresh breach in the Indus embankment; six previous breaches still flowing. Traffic interrupted on the Lacshahar line and the main line of the North-Western Railway.

Hyderabad.—Kharif preparations progressing. Rain in ten talukas, average fall 1 inch 14 cents. Breaches have occurred in some canals and the crops have been damaged. Weather cloudy with heavy rain.

Upper Sind Frontier.—Slight rain in all talukas. Unharwah breach still controlled and floods diverted to north south. Prospects entirely dependent on fall or rise of river. Bunds on reserved mouth of the Desert canal breached.

Thar and Parkar.—Rain throughout the district, maximum 8¾ inches at Nagar. Price of bajri fallen two sers in the rupee.

Surat—(For the week ending 21st July 1894).—Rain throughout the district during the week, maximum 13 inches at Chikhli, minimum 2 inches 68 cents at Olpad; for season maximum 52 inches 97 cents at Pardi, minimum 24 inches 96 cents at Olpad. Kharif sowings retarded owing to continuous rain. Flood in the Tapti subsiding. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Khandesh.—Rain for week at Dhulia 4 inches 22 cents, average in the district 4 inches 23 cents; for season at Dhulia 10 inches 36 cents, average in the district 14 inches 5 cents. Flood rain throughout the district. Sowing of kharif crops in progress. Young crops healthy. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Colaba (Bombay).—Rain daily, heavy on 20th and 21st: total of week 10·19 inches: total to date 42·80, being 1·94 above average. Abnormal temperature varied between 2° cool on 21st and 1° warm on 24th. Vapour in air slightly in excess. Abnormal wind easterly on 18th, westerly and strong on 20th and 21st, then gradually backed round by south to east on 24th.

Thana.—Rain for week at Sadar Station, Thana, 22 inches 48 cents, for season 68 inches 73 cents; in talukas during week, maximum at Bassein 26 inches 65 cents, minimum at Mahim 14 inches 78 cents. Transplanting of rice in progress; state of young plants good. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Kolaba.—Rain sufficient for agricultural operations; maximum 25 inches 24 cents at Mahad, minimum 9 inches 25 cents at Alibag. Transplantation nearly complete in four talukas and in progress in other talukas. No apprehension of distress or difficulties. The crops are doing well. Fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Ratnagiri.—Rain everywhere; maximum 25·91 inches at Sangameshvar minimum 8·94 inches at Ratnagiri. Transplantation in progress. Fodder supply agricultural stock and prospects good. No distress apprehended.

Poona.—Rain for week at district head-quarters, total 6 inches 51 cents; rain throughtout the district, maximum 11 inches 91 cents at petha Mulshi of the Haveli taluka and minimum 56 cents at Indapur; for season at district head-quarters total 19 inches 49 cents. No distress or difficulties apprehended. Rainfall insufficient in the Indapur, Sirur and Bhimthadi talukas. Sowing of kharif in progress throughout the district. Fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Ahmednagar.—Rain throughout the district during the week, maximum 3 inches 66 cents at Akola, minimum 48 cents at Nagar; for season maximum 12 inches 90 cents at Jamkhed, minimum 4 inches 50 cents at Shrigonda. Sowing resumed in parts and retarded in others owing to excessive moisture. Condition of fodder and agricultural stock fair. Jowari slightly dearer in the Kopargaon taluka and cheaper in the Sangamner taluka.

Sholapur.—(For the week ending 21st July 1894).—Rain for week at Sholapur 2 inches 2 cents, Barsi 1 inch 53 cents, Madha 86 cents, Karmala 1 inch 74 cents, Pandharpur 1 inch 54 cents, Sangola 86 cents and Malsiras 1 inch 48 cents; for season at Sholapur 3 inches 50 cents, Barsi 6 inches 96 cents, Madha 3 inches 14 cents, Karmala 7 inches 99 cents, Pandharpur 5 inches 41 cents, Sangola 4 inches 77 cents and Malsiras 3 inches 95 cents. More rain wanted in the Malsiras, Sangola, and Madha talukas. Sowing of kharif crops proceeding in the Sholapur, Barsi, Karmala, Pandharpur and in some places in the Madha, Sangola and Malsiras talukas where there is sufficient moisture. Sowing retarded in some places in the Karmala taluka owing to excessive moisture. Young kharif crops in good condition in the Sangola taluka. Water supply insufficient in some villages in the Sholapur taluka. Fodder insufficient except in the Pandharpur and Malsiras talukas. Agricultural stock fair. Karbi growing dearer at Barsi. Slight rise in the price of jowari in the Karmala and Sangola talukas and fall in the Sholapur, Barsi and Pandharpur talukas. There is now cause for anxiety in three talukas only. In the rest of the district the rainfall though late and not abundant has been sufficient to allow of kharif sowings, and this is also the case in many villages in the three excepted talukas.

Satara.—Rain at Satara during week 6 inches 25 cents, total for season 26 inches 98 cents; in talukas maximum 18 inches 12 cents at Javli, minimum 1 inch 37 cents at Man. Showing in progress. Condition of fodder and agricultural stock good. No distress apprehended.

Bijapur.—Rain during week at Sindgi 2 inches 66 cents, at Indi 1 inch 97 cents, at Muddebihal 1 inch 33 cents, at Bagevadi 1 inch 5 cents, at Bagalkot 96 cents, at Bijapur 94 cents, at Badami 66 cents and at Hungund 61 cents. Kharif sowings vigorously progressing. More rain wanted. Fodder and water supply good. Prices still low.

Belgaum.—Rain throughout the district, varying from 22 inches 72 cents at Chandgad in the western talukas to 1 inch 47 cents at Gokak in the eastern talukas; sufficient for the present. Agricultural position and prospects generally good. No difficulties apprehended.

Dharwar.—Rain throughout the district, varying from 6 inches 46 cents in Hangal to 26 cents in Navalgund. The fall is generally sufficient for rice crops for the present. Sowing of jola in progress in some places, but retarded in some others by continuous rain.

Kanara.—Rain at Karwar 11 inches 6 cents, total 49 inches 99 cents; maximum at Supa 20 inches 49 cents, minimum at Haliyal 5 inches 38 cents. Transplanting still going on; young rice plants thriving. Condition of cattle good.

Rajkot.—Rain 12 inches 43 cents, total 46 inches 25 cents. Agricultural operations impeded owing to continuous and excessive rain and fear of crops being damaged by over-moisture.

Wadhwan.—Rain during week 10·68 inches, total for season 30·95 inches. Heavy rain with strong wind throughout the prant; it is likely to have injurious effect on crops already down.

Baroda.—Rain during week 10 inches 98 cents, total 38 inches 48 cents. Agricultural stock fair. Sowing operations completed in the Baroda Division. Transplantation of rice continues in the Navsari Division, but is retarded in many places. Kharif crops considerably damaged in the Navsari and Baroda division by excessive rain. Unless break continues for some time, distress may occur. Reports from Kadi and Amreli not received.

Note.—Reports from other districts have not been received.

BRUNEAU'S "L'ATTAQUE DU MOULIN."

"LIBRETTO, Zola; Music—Gorgonzola!" Paderewski is the reputed author of the *mot*, and it is not half bad. Perhaps the strength and vigour which the figure would lead you to anticipate is not the most striking quality of M. Bruneau's music, but there is a certain distinctive flavour and aroma about it not easy to define, which the epigram may serve to indicate. Regarded as a whole, the opera is a curious mixture of realism and convention. In details its accuracy is said to be a thing of wonder. Not a shoulder strap is out of place, and not a button is wanting. It is the time of the Franco-German war, and many have been the puffs preliminary which have told us of the verisimilitude of the uniforms and local colour. And for all the majority know or care the promises may have been fulfilled to the letter. Yet while the gnats have been thus scrutinised the hugest camels have been bolted whole. We have the old familiar peasant chorus, superintending, in irreproachable fancy dress, the love-making of hero and heroine, the musical sentry who whiles away his vigil with a song, and is ready to make one in a quartet with his friends the enemy at any moment, Le Capitaine Ennemi, who orders the hero and other leading personages to be shot on the smallest provocation, and all those other interesting creatures never encountered by any mortal this side the footlights. In a word, the trail of the conventional is over it all, and the result is not always happy. The thing is more noticeable, of course, from the proximity of the period selected to the present time. It is impossible to accept a bowler hat as an integral part of a stage chorus. Yet here the exigencies of the case have been deemed to require it. And these minor incongruities are typical of larger ones, obtaining throughout, which go far to destroy that small amount of realism ever possessed even by operas the most congruous and realistic.

The story will be familiar to most either from the original or from the opera itself, which has enjoyed so long a run in Paris. Only the central features of Zola's novel have been retained. Merlier, the owner of the mill, which is in French territory, possesses a daughter, Francoise, who is betrothed to Dominique, the hero. Dominique is a Belgian, and consequently a neutral so far as the war is concerned, but he resides with Merlier in France. Merlier's mill is captured by the Germans, and Dominique, being discovered with a musket in his hand, is condemned to be shot. Protests are vain, but with the assistance of Francoise he contrives to escape from his guards, though not without killing the sentry who tries to stop him. At once a hue-and-cry is raised by the infuriated soldiery, and when it is discovered that their prisoner has escaped it is known at once who has murdered their comrade. Who have aided his flight? Francoise and her father. Therefore, unless they reveal his whereabouts, the miller himself will be shot in his stead. Such is the officer's decree. Dominique returns by stealth, but Merlier forbids his daughter to inform him of the position of affairs. He is old, he says, and can die with gladness to save the life of his daughter's lover. Dominique shall live. Dominique returns to his hiding, unknowing what has occurred, and Merlier is shot as the curtain falls. Another character, not mentioned in the foregoing, is that of Marcelline, the foster-mother of Francoise, which, as everyone knows, in the hands of Madame Delna, is invested with an importance as great as that of any in the opera, though she plays no active part in the actual development of the story.

For this powerful story M. Bruneau has provided music which, if not great or very noticeably inspired, is throughout extremely pretty and effective. Now and again he reaches a standard rather higher than this; but speaking in general terms, one can hardly say more for most of it. The narrative is divided into four acts, of which the first is much too long, and might be shortened with great advantage, since the opera as a whole is pretty long, judging from the late hour at which it concluded the other night. But whatever was omitted from this act, there would of course be retained the very beautiful and striking monologue, with war for its subject, to which Marcelline gives the poignant utterance on the announcement being made to the peasant merry makers that hostilities had broken out. Sung with the greatest power and feeling and delivered with the utmost intensity of dramatic expression by Madame Delna, this number produced more effect perhaps than any other, and rightly, for it is distinctly one of the strongest and most original pieces of compossion in the opera. An unusual interest, of course, attached to it the other night from the interesting circumstance that this was Madame Delna's first appearance before a London audience, though the majority of metropolitan opera-goers have doubtless made the acquaintance of this great artist before in Paris, where her reputation is deservedly so great. When it is recorded that some among those present at the performance did not hesitate to couple the name of Madame Delna with none other than that of the incomparable Calve herself, whom she curiously resembles in many respects, it will say more than many words how favourable was the judgment which she won.

In other respects, too, the performance was excellent. Madame De Nuovina is a little hard at times in her upper notes, but she sings with great power and accuracy, while M. Bouvet, M. Albers, M. Cossira, M. Bonnard, and the rest were more than satisfatctory. M. Flon, of Brussels, who is becoming quite the recognised interpreter of French operatic novelties, conducted with much intelligence, and secured a very successful rendering of M. Bruneau's exceedingly refined and delicate orchestration. The chorus was powerful as ever, and the reception of the work at the close was cordial in the extreme.—*Westminster Gazette*.

LONGMAN'S MAGAZINE for July contains a translated article by Dr. Fridtjof Nanson, "Polar Bear Shooting on the East Coast of Greenland," and another sportive contribution by Mr. Hugh Stutfield, "Chamois Hunting Above the Snow Line," both full of exciting incidents, and by the frequent references to ice and snow in each, decidedly soothing in this hot weather. Mr. Alfred Baldwin's "The Ticking of the Clock" is quaint and simple. It is the story of a little boy, who wonders as he sees his grandfather getting feebler daily, and upon questioning why, he is told that it is "the ticking of the clock." The child's thoughts naturally fly to the loud ticking kitchen clock, by stopping which he thinks he can grant his grandfather a fresh lease of life. This effort of stopping the clock is coincident with his grandfather's death, and the simple story is cleverly and prettily told. Continuing chapters of the serials appear. Mr. Andrew Lang's "Sign of the Ship" is very critical this month, but "The Remonstrance," in verse, is admirable, and the other item of the number is a poem of lugubrious tendencies, called "The Haunted House," by Mary R. L. Bryce.

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THE WARES OF AUTOLYCUS.

THE war, or sham fight, between men and women has been hitherto unequal; but it will go more gaily when the Swede Strindberg becomes as popular as the Norwegian Ibsen. Strindberg—it is only a deplorable ignorance of the Swedish for "Mr." that causes this familiarity—Strindberg is standing up to the enemy, Woman. He says she is capricious, selfish, and irresponsible, also that she is vain and incapable of public or general interests—especially that she hinders man in his liberal and generous ambitions.

The best hinderer in fiction was a woman's and not a man's heroine—Rosamond in "Middlemarch." In one of Strindberg's plots the evil work is much more simply done. The wife suddenly perceives that her rose-trees would be the better for watering. Regardless of the signs—which must have been perceptible—of the storm which would water them anon, and from which her husband's harvest might just be saved, she takes advantage of his absence to order all the farm labourers to leave the wheat alone, and to spend the afternoon in carrying water from the river for the service of her blooming—her bloomin'—roses. What follows afterwards does not much matter; for Strindberg's point is simply that this is the way in which wives are apt to frustrate the plans and injure the interests of husbands. But what does happen is that the storm is up to time; it breaks, and ruins the harvest of fields so long and laboriously tended. The husband comes home, sees the devastation, is told the cause, and—very illogically, for he had probably always held that a woman should confine herself to the garden, and should not know anything about the nature of storms and the exigencies of farm work; but Strindberg does not say this—boxes her ears.

The wife runs away and "institutes proceedings," to use the beautiful phrase of custom. But she does not go as far as divorce, for reasons which do not repay the telling, and all ends well, for the time, at least, that concerns the author. This is only one specimen of the new series of long indictments.

Curiously enough, the "clair genie latin" is at work at the same time, upon the same point. L'Amoureuse," by M. Georges de Porto-Riche, has been played at the Odeon, but is only just now published. Here the wife stops her husband's work by her feminine lack of tact in being sprightly, epigrammatic, and accessible continually, and therefore often out of season. The author has not made her dull or jealous; he gives her, indeed, an easy turn of wit against which the nerves of few men could possibly hold out. "I can bear any kind of epigram except the epigram of sentiment," has said—though not printed—an English writer. But the epigram of sentiment is the whole spirit of the very nicest Frenchwomen. Etienne, in this play, tries to escape it by silence, by prosaic replies, for which she most gracefully makes him ask pardon by his undramatic kiss.

At last comes a scene of terror, revealed and struck out upon a mere incident. Germaine had planned to let her husband have a good spell of work to himself and an evening with her to follow; she gives away tickets for "Lohengrin." The horrible explanation that follows penetrates further into the double solitude—the partaken isolation—of marriage than any playwright has pushed before. And the freshest passages are two words of Etienne's. He knows how unpardonable is his outbreak of rage, of which, nevertheless, he does not expect to repent; "but what is really serious is the fact—not what I have said about it." And further on she, by a remnant of convention which survives her experience, for she has no kind of real conviction of jealousy, asks with half-hearted despair if there is not some other woman. He throws up his arms towards heaven and says, "Ah! grand Dieu, non!"

And Germaine's best word is in her protest against their marriage as that bond and companionship would be without her unlucky tenderness: "We should be like other people. We should talk about money, about our health. You would be shut up all-day with your papers, and I should be following up useful acquaintanceships. . . . There would be no love to justify us. Ah, come, is it not repulsive? I pity two people living like that. They are not two friends supporting one another; they are two partners plotting!"

M. Georges de Porto-Riche, it will be seen by all this, takes both sides. Not so Strindberg. In his explicit and deliberate attack upon one side Strindberg puts himself into the position of suffering the only real injustice which men have, as a sex, to endure. This is that in complaining of women they make themselves ridiculous. Far be it from the present writer to aver that women do not make themselves ridiculous when they complain of men; but when they do (they do not always) it is not *ipso facto*. But it must be owned that with men it is *ipso facto*. That is a thoroughly unjust thing; and it ought to be a great comfort, therefore, to the sex, which is obliged in other matters to observe injustices from the other point of view.

It is quite possible that one's own negligence in not looking up the Swedish for "Mr."—which, after all, might have been done with a little research—is due, obscurely, to some sense of the disadvantage at which Strinberg has placed himself—to some recognition of it. But one must hope not sincerely. To call a man by his name *tout court* is really not the kind of vengeance one would consciously take. There are underground impulses, nevertheless.

The announcement that the Grafton Gallery will have an exhibition of portraits of beautiful children has been accompanied by comments relating to an alleged increase of beauty among children of late years. If this increase is a real thing and not due to the great improvement in the manner of dressing little girls, it may be the result of two things—the permission of reasonable luxuries among children which is universally practised in these days, and the general abstinence of parents from the exaction of untimely spirituality. Their is no doubt that temperate luxury and bodily pleasure make for beauty. And it is difficult to understand upon what principle it was systematically denied to children a generation or two ago. We shall never know, for though many who endured inexplicable hardship are among us still, and can tell us of their privations, none of the parents who inflicted them are now alive to explain themselves. And they do not seem to have accompanied the infliction with any explanation to the victims themselves, their children.

We all know elderly people tell—sometimes not without a most obscure and curious triumphant cruelty towards their former and much more innocent selves—how they had to bear cold and hunger, and to eat things they loathed—all of these being hardships, be it observed, that weaken and injure, and not hardships that harden and brace up. But the narrators never tell, for probably they never learnt, why these things were done to them. The things were done

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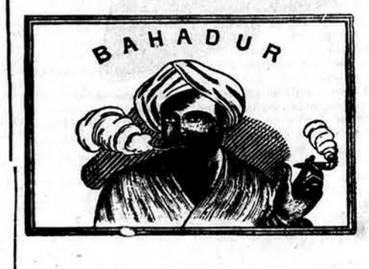

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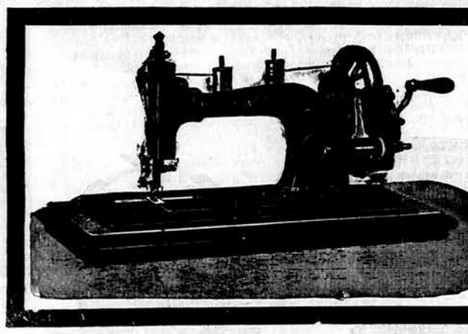

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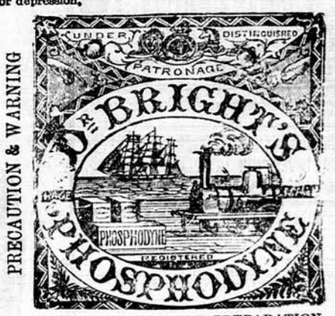

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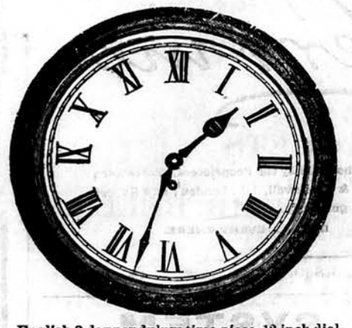

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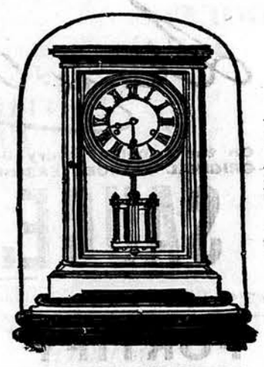

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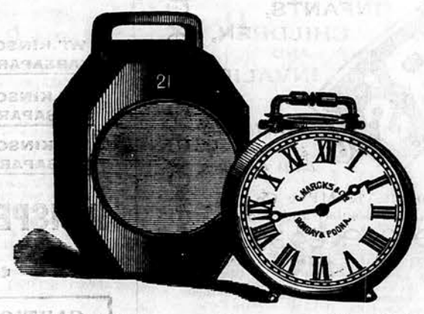

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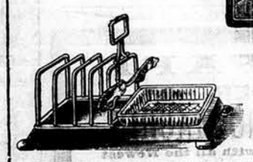

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